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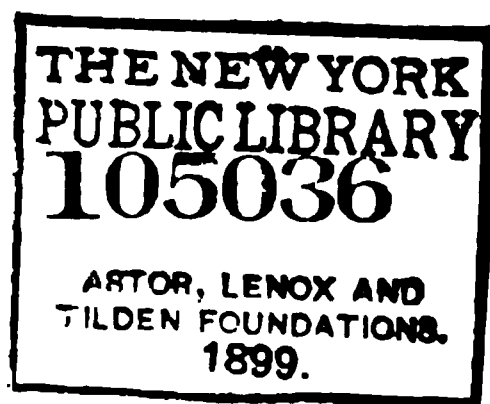
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SESSION OF 1895.

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Channing Moore Williams, D.D., Bishop. *Kyoto, Japan.*
Henry Adams Neely, D.D., Bishop of Maine. *Portland, Me.*
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Francis McNeece Whittle, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Virginia. *Richmond, Va.*
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Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Long Island. *Garden City, N. Y.*
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William Woodruff Niles, D.D., Bishop of New Hampshire. *Concord, N. H.*
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John Scarborough, D.D., Bishop of New Jersey. *Trenton, N. J.*
George DeNormandie Gillespie, D.D., Bishop of Western Michigan. *Grand Rapids, Mich.*
Thomas Augustus Jaggar, D.D., Bishop of Southern Ohio. *Cincinnati, Ohio.*
William Edward McLaren, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of Chicago. *Chicago, Ill.*
William Stevens Perry, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Bishop of Iowa. *Davenport, Ia.*

- Alexander Burgess, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Quincy. *Peoria, Ill.*
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 Leigh Richmond Brewer, D.D., Bishop of Montana. *Helena, Mont.*
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 Hugh Miller Thompson, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Mississippi. *Jackson, Miss.*
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 James Steptoe Johnston, D.D., Bishop of Western Texas. *San Antonio, Texas.*
 Abiel Leonard, D.D., Bishop of Nevada, Utah, and Western Colorado.* *Salt Lake City, Utah.*
 Leighton Coleman, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Delaware. *Wilmington, Del.*
 John Mills Kendrick, D.D., Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona. *Albuquerque, N. M.*
 Boyd Vincent, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio. *Cincinnati, Ohio.*
 Charles Chapman Grafton, D.D., Bishop of Fond du Lac. *Fond du Lac, Wis.*
 William Andrew Leonard, D.D., Bishop of Ohio. *Cleveland, Ohio.*
 Thomas Frederick Davies, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Michigan. *Detroit, Mich.*
 Anson Rogers Graves, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of The Platte. *Kearney, Neb.*
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 Edward Robert Atwill, D.D., Bishop of West Missouri. *Kansas City, Mo.*
 Henry Melville Jackson, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Alabama. *Montgomery, Ala.*
 Davis Sessums, D.D., Bishop of Louisiana. *New Orleans, La.*
 Isaac Lea Nicholson, D.D., Bishop of Milwaukee. *Milwaukee, Wis.*
 Cleland Kinloch Nelson, D.D., Bishop of Georgia. *Atlanta, Ga.*
 Charles Reuben Hale, D.D., LL.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield. *Cairo, Ill.*
 George Herbert Kinsolving, D.D., Bishop of Texas. *Austin, Texas.*

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Lemuel Henry Wells, D.D., Bishop of Spokane. *Spokane, Wash.*
William Crane Gray, D.D., Bishop of Southern Florida. *Orlando, Fla.*
Francis Key Brooke, D.D., Bishop of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory.* *Guthrie, Okl.*
William Morris Barker, D.D., Bishop of Olympia. *Tacoma, Wash.*
John McKim, D.D., Bishop of Tokyo. *Tokyo, Japan.*
Frederick Rogers Graves, D.D., Bishop of Shanghai. *Shanghai, China.*
Ellison Capers, D.D., Bishop of South Carolina. *Columbia, S. C.*
Thomas Frank Gailor, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee. *Sewanee, Tenn.*
William Lawrence, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts. *Cambridge, Mass.*
Joseph Blount Cheshire, Jr., D.D., Bishop of North Carolina. *Raleigh, N. C.*
Arthur Crawshay Alliston Hall, D.D., Bishop of Vermont. *Burlington, Vt.*
John Brockenbrough Newton, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia. *Richmond, Va.*
John Hazen White, D.D., Bishop of Indiana. *Indianapolis, Ind.*
Frank Rosebrook Millsbaugh, D.D., Bishop of Kansas. *Topeka, Kan.*

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FIRST DAY.

GETHSEMANE CHURCH,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA,

Wednesday, October 2, 1895.

THIS being the day designated in the Constitution, and the place appointed by the last General Convention, the Bishops, together with the Most Reverend the Archbishop of Rupert's Land and Primate of Canada and the Right Reverend the Bishop of Qu'Appelle, attended Divine Service with the Clerical and Lay Deputies in Gethsemane Church.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of Maine reading the Epistle, and the Archbishop of Rupert's Land reading the Gospel.

The Sermon was preached by the Bishop of Western New York.

The Offertory sentences were read by the Assistant Bishop of Minnesota, and the offerings were devoted to the Domestic and Foreign Missions of the Church.

The Bishop of Minnesota was assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion by the Archbishop of Rupert's Land, the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of Oregon, and the Bishop of Albany.

Divine Service being ended, the House of Bishops met for business in the Knickerbacker Memorial Chapel of Gethsemane Church, the Bishop of Minnesota, as the senior Bishop present, in the chair.

Five Bishops consecrated since the last meeting of the General Convention were presented to the House :

The Right Rev. Dr. John McKim, Bishop of Tokyo, presented by the Bishop of Delaware; the Right Rev. Dr. Frederick

Rogers Graves, Bishop of Shanghai, presented by the Bishop of Kentucky and the Bishop of West Virginia; the Right Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank Gailor, Assistant Bishop of Tennessee, presented by the Bishop of Georgia; the Right Rev. Dr. John Hazen White, Bishop of Indiana, presented by the Bishop of Milwaukee and the Assistant Bishop of Springfield; the Right Rev. Dr. Frank Rosebrook Millspaugh, Bishop of Kansas, presented by the Bishop of West Missouri and the Bishop of Oklahoma;

and the Bishops presented were welcomed by the Bishop presiding.

The Bishop presiding announced the death, since the last meeting of the House, of the following named Bishops, to wit:

The Right Rev. Dr. William Bell White Howe, Bishop of South Carolina, died November 25, 1894;

The Right Rev. Dr. David Buel Knickerbacker, Bishop of Indiana, died December 31, 1894;

The Right Rev. Dr. Elisha Smith Thomas, Bishop of Kansas, died March 9, 1895;

The Right Rev. Dr. Mark Anthony DeWolfe Howe, Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, died July 31, 1895;

And he thereupon bade the House to prayer, using the form prescribed in the Rules of Order.

The Bishop presiding introduced to the House the Archbishop of Rupert's Land and Primate of Canada and the Bishop of Qu'Appelle, who briefly addressed the House.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That our brethren just presented to the House be requested to favor us with their presence at our sessions as often as convenient, and that seats be assigned them near the Bishop presiding;

which was unanimously adopted.

The House took a recess until four o'clock.

The House re-assembled after the recess.

The roll was called, and it was found that sixty-one members of the House were present, to wit:

The Bishop of Minnesota,
Bishop of Western New York,
Bishop of Maine,
Bishop of Missouri,
Bishop of Oregon,
Bishop of Long Island,
Bishop of Albany,

The Bishop of Pennsylvania,
Bishop of New Hampshire,
Bishop of Colorado,
Bishop of Kentucky,
Bishop of New Jersey,
Bishop of Western Michigan,
Bishop of Chicago,

The Bishop of Iowa,
 Bishop of Quincy,
 Bishop of West Virginia,
 Bishop of Springfield,
 Bishop of Newark,
 Bishop of Montana,
 Bishop of Pittsburgh,
 Bishop of Mississippi,
 Bishop of New York,
 Bishop of Southern Virginia,
 Bishop of North Dakota,
 Bishop of East Carolina,
 Bishop of Central Pennsylvania,
 Bishop of Maryland,
 Bishop of Nebraska,
 Bishop of Cape Palmas,
 Bishop of Florida,
 Assistant Bishop of Minnesota,
 Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho,
 Bishop of Easton,
 Bishop of Nevada and Utah,
 Bishop of Delaware,
 Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona,

The Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio,
 Bishop of Fond du Lac,
 Bishop of Ohio,
 Bishop of Michigan,
 Bishop of The Platte,
 Bishop of California,
 Bishop of West Missouri,
 Bishop of Louisiana,
 Bishop of Milwaukee,
 Bishop of Georgia,
 Assistant Bishop of Springfield,
 Bishop of Texas,
 Bishop of Southern Florida,
 Bishop of Oklahoma,
 Bishop of Olympia,
 Bishop of Tokyo,
 Bishop of Shanghai,
 Assistant Bishop of Tennessee,
 Bishop of Massachusetts,
 Bishop of North Carolina,
 Bishop of Vermont,
 Assistant Bishop of Virginia,
 Bishop of Indiana,
 Bishop of Kansas.

The House proceeded to the election of a Secretary; and, on motion of the Bishop of Albany, the Rev. Samuel Hart, D.D., of Connecticut, was unanimously elected Secretary.

The Bishop presiding announced that the Secretary, with his approval, had appointed the Rev. George F. Nelson of New York and the Rev. Andrew D. Stowe of Minnesota as Assistant Secretaries.

The House proceeded to the election of a Chairman. The Assistant Bishop of Virginia and the Bishop of Indiana were appointed tellers.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots, and it was found on the third ballot that the Bishop of Albany had received a majority of the votes cast; and he was accordingly declared to have been elected Chairman of the House.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the House of Deputies that this House had completed its organization by the election of a Chairman and a Secretary, and that it was ready to proceed to business. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 1.]

The Bishop of Quincy, from the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, presented as a partial report, as follows :

The Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons respectfully present a partial report, containing a revised Constitution adopted by the Commission, and beg permission of the House to continue their work, proposing at a later day of the session to complete the duty assigned to them, by offering a body of Canons to be adopted, if the wisdom of the General Convention so decide, in the place of the present Digest. The Commission have prefixed to the Constitution a "Declaration," which they submit to the consideration of the Convention.

By order of the Commission,

ALEXANDER BURGESS, *Vice-Chairman*.

[See Appendix XVI.]

On motion of the Bishop of Quincy, the report thus presented, with the proposed Revision of the Constitution, was made the Order of the day for eleven o'clock on Thursday, October 3, and for the same hour on each succeeding day of the session until action on the same should be completed.

The Bishop presiding presented a communication from the Bishop and Assistant Bishop of Minnesota and the Mayor and citizens of Faribault, inviting the House of Bishops and House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention to visit Faribault, its Cathedral and schools, on Saturday, October 12; which, on motion of the Bishop of Springfield, was accepted by this House with thanks.

The Bishop presiding presented an invitation from the Bishop and the Assistant Bishop of Minnesota to attend a reception at the West Hotel on the evening of Thursday, October 3; which, on motion of the Bishop of Maine, was accepted by this House with thanks.

The Bishop presiding presented a communication from the Public Library Board of the City of Minneapolis, inviting the Bishops and Delegates present at the Triennial Convention, to visit and examine a collection of rare Bibles and Prayer Books, in part loaned by Rev. Dr. Wright, of St. Paul, in part the property of the Library; which, on motion of the Bishop of Albany, was accepted by this House with thanks.

The Bishop presiding laid before the House the following communication from the Secretary:

The Secretary begs leave to report that he received from the Bishop of Pittsburgh in February, 1894, a package of letters of interest in connection with the history of the Church in this country, some of which are referred to in Dr. Doddridge's notes on the Church in Western Pennsylvania and Ohio; they relate *inter alia* to the organization of a diocese

in the West, to the General Convention of 1817, and to the consecration of Bishop Philander Chase.

The Secretary further begs leave to report that he has received from Mr. Thomas E. V. Smith, of New York, representative of the estate of the late Mr. George H. Moore, of that city, a collection of papers relating to the consecration of Bishop Stephen Elliott, including the Testimonials from the Convention of the Diocese of Georgia, and the Consents of the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses and of a majority of the Bishops, a copy of the letter addressed to the Bishop-elect by the committee of the Convention, and a copy of the Letter of Consecration.

On motion of the Bishop of Maine, it was ordered that the thanks of the House be expressed to the donors and that the letters, papers, etc., referred to be placed in the archives of the General Convention.

A committee from the House of Deputies, consisting of the Rev. J. J. Faudé, of Minnesota, and Mr. George F. Edmunds, LL.D., of Vermont, announced to the House that the House of Deputies had organized by electing the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., President, and the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, D.D., Secretary, and that it was ready to proceed to business.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House cannot assemble without recognizing with deep regret the absence of the venerated Presiding Bishop and our brethren beloved who with him are detained from attendance at this Convention ; and that this House desires to assure their Right Reverend brethren of their affectionate regard, and of their common sorrow in being deprived of the help and encouragement of their presence and counsel ;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of New York and the Bishop of Springfield a committee to carry the foregoing resolution into effect.

The Bishop of Colorado offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the question of the election of a Missionary Bishop of Western Colorado be made the order of the day for to-morrow immediately after the recess.

The Bishop of Missouri moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution as a substitute :

Resolved, That the resolution offered by the Bishop of Colorado be referred to the Committee on Canons for report as to whether there is not now a Missionary Bishop of Western Colorado ;

which was not adopted.

The question being on the motion of the Bishop of Missouri, it was adopted, and the resolution offered by the Bishop of Colorado was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions; and on motion of the Bishop of Newark, the Committee was instructed to report the present condition of the Missionary jurisdiction of Western Colorado. [See p. 46.]

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, This Church desires and aims to extend its fulness of oversight and care to the spiritual welfare of our whole country and all the parts thereof; and

WHEREAS, Three constituted Missionary Districts are now unprovided with their own Bishops; therefore,

Resolved, That, in the opinion of the House of Bishops, it is the duty of this General Convention to take measures for the appointment of Bishops respectively for the Missionary Districts of Alaska, Western Colorado, and Northern Michigan;

which, on motion of the Bishop of Missouri, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Iowa and the Assistant Bishop of Minnesota a committee to act with the Secretary in preparing daily reports of the action of this House for the public journals.

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn till to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of Minnesota bade the House to prayer; and the House thereupon adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, October 3, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Kansas, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Chairman laid before the House a communication from the Presiding Bishop, being the statement of his official acts during the recess of the General Convention, as follows :

To the Right Reverend the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, sitting in General Convention :

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN:—Prevented, to my great regret and disappointment, from taking my place in the House of Bishops, by illness, it is nevertheless my duty to report my official acts as Presiding Bishop since October 1, 1892.

I have taken order for the ordination and consecration of fifteen Bishops, viz. :

The Right Rev. George Herbert Kinsolving, D.D., Assistant Bishop (and since Bishop) of Texas, consecrated in the Church of the Epiphany, Philadelphia, October 12, 1892.

The Right Rev. Lemuel Henry Wells, D.D., Bishop of Spokane, consecrated in Trinity Church, New Haven, December 16, 1892.

The Right Rev. William Crane Gray, D.D., Bishop of Southern Florida, consecrated in the Church of the Advent, Nashville, December 29, 1892.

The Right Rev. Francis Key Brooke, D.D., Bishop of Oklahoma, consecrated in Grace Cathedral, Topeka, on the Feast of the Epiphany, 1893.

The Right Rev. William Morris Barker, D.D., Bishop of Western Colorado (and since of Olympia), consecrated in St. Paul's Church, Duluth, on the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, 1893.

The Right Rev. John McKim, D.D., Bishop of Tokyo, Japan, and the Right Rev. Frederick Rogers Graves, D.D., Bishop of Shanghai, China, consecrated in St. Thomas's Church, New York, June 14, 1893.

The Right Rev. Ellison Capers, D.D., Assistant Bishop (and since Bishop) of South Carolina, consecrated in Trinity Church, Columbia, July 20, 1893.

The Right Rev. Thomas Frank Gailor, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Tennessee, consecrated in the chapel of St. Augustine, Sewanee, on St. James's Day, 1893.

The Right Rev. William Lawrence, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts, consecrated in Trinity Church, Boston, October 5, 1893.

The Right Rev. Joseph Blount Cheshire, Jr., D.D., Assistant Bishop (and since Bishop) of North Carolina, consecrated in Calvary Church, Tarboro, October 15, 1893.

The Right Rev. Arthur Crawshay Alliston Hall, D.D., Bishop of Vermont, consecrated in St. Paul's Church, Burlington, on the Feast of the Purification, 1894.

The Right Rev. John Brockenbrough Newton, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Virginia, consecrated in the Monumental Church, Richmond, May 16, 1894.

The Right Rev. John Hazen White, D.D., Bishop of Indiana, consecrated in St. Paul's Church, Indianapolis, on St. Philip and St. James's Day, 1895.

The Right Rev. Frank Rosebrook Millsbaugh, D.D., Bishop of Kansas, consecrated in Grace Cathedral, Topeka, September 19, 1895.

I presided at the consecration of the Bishops of Spokane and Massachusetts.

The Bishop of Alabama presided at the consecration of the Assistant Bishop of Texas.

The Bishop of Tennessee presided at the consecrations of the Bishop of Southern Florida and the Assistant Bishop of Tennessee.

The Bishop of Missouri presided at the consecration of the Bishop of Oklahoma and the Bishop of Indiana.

The Bishop of Oregon presided at the consecration of the Bishop of Olympia.

The Bishop of Long Island presided at the consecration of the Bishop of Tokyo and the Bishop of Shanghai.

The late Bishop of North Carolina presided at the consecrations of the Bishop of South Carolina and the Assistant Bishop of North Carolina.

The Bishop of Maine presided at the consecration of the Bishop of Vermont.

The Bishop of Minnesota presided at the consecration of the Bishop of Kansas.

The Bishop of Virginia presided at the consecration of the Assistant Bishop of that Diocese.

Having received from the late Bishop of South Carolina his resignation of his jurisdiction, I proceeded in accordance with the provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § xv. [3], to summon the Bishops of this Church to meet in the city of New York on the first day of March, 1893. A majority of the Bishops appeared at that time and, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by the said Canon, declined to accept the resignation. A special meeting of the House of Bishops was held at the same time and place, under the provision of Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. of the Digest.

At the written request of twelve Bishops, and in accordance with provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § xvi., I called, in conformity to Rule XXII. of the Rules of Order of this House, a special meeting of the House, which was held in the city of New York on the seventeenth and eighteenth days of October, 1894.

The commission to the Bishop of Albany, assigning to him the full Episcopal charge of our Churches and Congregations on the Continent of Europe, having determined by the lapse of time, I have, in accordance with provisions of Title III., Canon 3, § iii. [6], renewed the said commission.

I have nominated from year to year the Rev. Henry Forrester to the supervision of the work in Mexico, and the nomination has been confirmed by the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of this Church.

I have received from the Archbishops of Canterbury, Armagh, and Rupert's Land, and from the Metropolitans of South Africa and the West Indies, notices of Episcopal consecrations within their provinces since October 1, 1892; and have sent notices of all such consecrations in this Church for the same period to the Archbishops and Metropolitans in communion with this Church.

The Missionary District of Western Colorado having become vacant by the transference of its Bishop to the District of Olympia, I have, under provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [3], appointed the Bishop of Utah and Nevada to the charge of the same.

The charge of the Missionary District of Northern Michigan having been resigned by the Bishop of Michigan on his departure for Europe, and no Bishop having been appointed to the charge in his absence, I reappointed him on his return to the said charge.

I desire gratefully to acknowledge the kindness and forbearance of the House with me in my shortcomings and imperfect service, and to assure my brethren of my affectionate and earnest prayers for them in all their way and work.

I am, dear Brethren,

Your affectionate brother and servant,

J. WILLIAMS, *Bishop of Connecticut.*

On motion, the calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The Bishop of Western Texas and the Bishop of Spokane, not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Chicago moved the adoption of a Rule of Order

that the Chairman bid the House to prayer for Missions at noon of each day's session; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order. [See page 38.]

The Bishop of Maryland presented a Memorial from the Diocese of Maryland, for the erection of a new diocese within the limits of the present Diocese of Maryland; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [See page 33.]

The Bishop of Missouri presented a Memorial from the Clergy and the Laity of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, asking to be admitted into union with the General Convention as a Diocese; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [See page 53.]

The Bishop of Kentucky presented a Memorial from the Council of the Diocese of Kentucky, in reference to the proposed erection of a new diocese within the limits of the present Diocese of Kentucky; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [See page 33.]

The Bishop of Maryland presented a Memorial from the Rev. Thomas Scott Bacon, a Presbyterian of the Diocese of Maryland; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See page 74.]

The Chairman laid before the House a Memorial from the Rev. W. F. Brand, D.D., a Presbyterian of the Diocese of Maryland; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See page 75.]

The Bishop of Western Texas offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in the interests of good morals, this House desires to express its hearty sympathy with the prompt and courageous application of the powers of civil government for the repression of barbarous, brutal, and indecent exhibitions and recreations of whatever sort;

which was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Maryland, the subject-matter of the preceding resolution was referred to the Standing Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

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IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 2d day of the Session,
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MESSAGE No. 1.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House respectfully notify the House of Bishops that they have appointed to-day, Thursday, the 3d of October, at twelve noon, for the reception of the delegation appointed by the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada to the American Church, and respectfully ask the House of Bishops if it be their pleasure to meet with the House of Deputies at the said hour.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Maine, the Secretary was instructed to inform the House of Deputies that this House accepts the invitation contained in Message No. 1 from the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 2.]

The House proceeded to the order of the day, being the consideration of the Report of the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons of the Church, with a draft of a revised Constitution.

The Bishop of Quincy, on behalf of the Commission, presented the following resolution as introducing the report :

Resolved, That the document presented in the Report of the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, and entitled "Constitution," be made known to the several dioceses in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as an amendment proposed to said Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia, it was voted that the Report be considered by articles and sections.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York, it was voted that the House go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the report this afternoon, immediately after the recess.

At twelve o'clock the House met with the House of Deputies in Gethsemane Church for the reception of the delegation from the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada.

On motion, the House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The Bishop of Springfield offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Rules of Order of the House of Bishops shall be observed in the Committee of the Whole, so far as the same may be applicable ;

which was adopted.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole.

The Committee having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of Missouri moved that the latter clause of Rule XI. of the Rules of Order be suspended; which was not adopted.

The Chairman presented a communication from the Bishop of Southern Ohio, stating that he was prevented by illness from attending this session of the House, and asking for leave of absence.

On motion of the Bishop of Springfield, the Bishop of Southern Ohio was excused from attendance at the present session of this House.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York, the Secretary was instructed to inform the Bishop of Southern Ohio of this action, with an expression of the sympathy and affection of his brethren of the House.

On motion, the House went into the Committee of the Whole.

The Committee rose, and the Bishop of Pennsylvania, as Chairman, reported that the Committee of the Whole had had under consideration the matter referred to it, had made progress, and asked leave to sit again.

On motion, the request of the Committee was granted. [See p. 26.]

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn till to-morrow morning.

The Archbishop of Rupert's Land pronounced the benediction, and the House adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, October 4, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer and Litany, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Indiana, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

On motion, the calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Chairman of the House announced the appointment of the Standing Committees, as follows :

STANDING COMMITTEES.

1. *On the Prayer Book.* — The Bishops of Western New York, Pittsburgh, Georgia, Assistant Bishop of Springfield, and Bishop of The Platte.
2. *On Amendments to the Constitution.* — The Bishops of Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Central Pennsylvania, Fond du Lac, and Michigan.
3. *On Canons.* — The Bishops of Missouri, Chicago, Iowa, Quincy, New York, East Carolina, and Maryland.
4. *On the Pastoral Letter.* — The Presiding Bishop, the Bishops of Minnesota, Long Island, Kentucky, and the Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio.
5. *On Religious Services.* — The Bishops of Central New York, Cape Palmas, Milwaukee, Tokyo, and Vermont.
6. *On Domestic Missions.* — The Bishops of Oregon, Western Michigan, North Dakota, Florida, and Assistant Bishop of Minnesota.
7. *On Foreign Missions.* — The Bishops of New Jersey, West Virginia, Easton, Ohio, and Michigan.
8. *On Christian Education.* — The Bishops of Maine, New Hampshire, Assistant Bishops of Tennessee and Virginia, and Bishop of Indiana.
9. *On the Consecration of Bishops.* — The Bishops of Newark, Southern Virginia, Wyoming and Idaho, Western Texas, and Nevada and Utah.
10. *On the Nomination of Missionary Bishops.* — The Bishops of Montana, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, and Massachusetts.
11. *On the Admission of New Dioceses.* — The Bishops of Long Island, West Virginia, Nebraska, New Mexico and Arizona, and North Carolina.
12. *On the General Theological Seminary.* — The Bishops of Springfield, New York, Delaware, Oklahoma, and Shanghai.
13. *On Memorials and Petitions.* — The Bishops of Maine, Colorado, Milwaukee, Spokane, and Olympia.
14. *On Unfinished Business.* — The Assistant Bishop of Minnesota, and Bishops of West Missouri and Georgia.
15. *On Despatch of Business.* — The Bishops of California, Texas, and Southern Florida.
16. *On Rules of Order.* — The Bishops of Iowa, South Carolina, and Kansas.

The Chairman presented a communication from the Presiding Bishop enclosing a letter from the Missionary Bishop of the Church of England in Corea and Shing King; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions. [See p. 60.]

The Bishop of New Jersey presented a Memorial from the Vice-President of the American Humane Education Society and of the Anti-Vivisection Society; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 74.]

The Bishop of California presented a Memorial from the Diocese of California, asking for the erection of a new diocese within the limits of the present Diocese of California; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [See p. 33.]

The Bishop of Delaware offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Rules of Order be requested to consider and report such modifications of said Rules as may facilitate and simplify the proceedings of this House when sitting as a Committee of the Whole ;

which was adopted. [See p. 40.]

The Assistant Bishop of Minnesota presented a draft of a Canon, as a substitute for Canon 12 of Title I. (page 46 of the Digest), to be entitled “ Of the Office of Reader ” ; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 80.]

The Chairman presented a communication from members of the Woman’s Army and Navy League in reference to the status of Army and Navy Chaplains ; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 40.]

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to inform the House of Deputies, that this House is ready to meet the House of Deputies in the Board of Missions. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 3.]

The Chairman presented a communication from the Bishop of Alabama, suggesting certain amendments of Canons ; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 33.]

The Bishop of Chicago offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on the Pastoral Letter be requested to report to this House at as early a period in our sessions as may be practicable ;

which was adopted.

The Chairman presented a communication from the Secretary of the Conference of Church Theological Seminaries, in reference to the time of canonical examinations ; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the General Theological Seminary. [See p. 113.]

The Chairman presented a communication from the Presiding Bishop, enclosing a communication from a Presbyterian of the Diocese of Pennsylvania ; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

On motion, the House proceeded to meet with the House of Deputies in the Board of Missions.

The Board of Missions having completed its day’s session, the House adjourned.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, October 5, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Assistant Bishop of Virginia, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Chairman presented a communication from the Bishop of South Dakota, stating that he was prevented by illness from attending this session of the House, and asking for leave of absence.

On motion, the Bishop of South Dakota was excused from attendance at the present session of this House.

The Chairman presented a communication from Mr. R. S. A. Wade, of St. Paul; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 75.]

The Chairman presented the Report of the Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions. [See p. 60.]

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the House proceeded to fill the vacancies in the Commission on Christian Unity; and the Bishop of Michigan and the Assistant Bishop of Tennessee having been nominated, the Secretary was directed to cast a ballot for them; which being done, they were declared elected members of the Commission on Christian Unity. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 4.]

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn till Monday morning.

The Bishop of Minnesota pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 7, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Vermont, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of Saturday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Northern Texas and the Bishop of South Carolina, not present before, appeared and took their seats.

The Bishop of Tokyo presented a Memorial from the Convocation of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Tokyo, asking for division of said jurisdiction; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions. [See p. 60.]

The Bishop of Kentucky presented invitations to the General Convention, to hold the next meeting in the city of Louisville; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee to be appointed on the place of meeting of the next General Convention. [See p. 47.]

The Bishop of North Carolina presented a Memorial from the Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina, praying for the erection of a part of said Diocese into a Missionary Jurisdiction; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [See p. 69.]

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the first and second of the Standing Orders of the House of Bishops be referred to the Committee on Rules of Order, to consider and report whether in their judgment any inconsistency exists in the aforesaid standing orders with other rules of order or standing resolutions of this House;

which was adopted. [See p. 41.]

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the Committee to Report Appropriate Forms and Certificates, appointed in 1883, was discharged.

The Bishop of Albany, from the Joint Committee appointed to prepare a Standard Book of Common Prayer, presented a Supplemental Report [see Appendix XVI.], and laid before the House the Standard Book of Common Prayer described in said report.

The Chairman presented the report of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer. [See Appendix XIV.]

On motion, the resolution appended to the report, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, that the following change be made in the Book of Common Prayer, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention:

That, on the first day of January in the year of our Lord 1900, the place of the Golden Numbers prefixed to several days in the Calendar,

between the twenty-first day of March and the eighteenth day of April, both inclusive, be changed, and that the Golden Numbers be prefixed to days in the Calendar in March and April as in the following table :

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and that in the fifth line of page xxv. the figures ' 1899 ' be changed to ' 2199 ' ;

was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book. [See p. 67.]

The Bishop of Georgia offered the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, The Bishop of Georgia extends for himself and for his Diocese a cordial invitation to this Convention to hold its next regular meeting in the city of Atlanta, Georgia ;

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the next regular meeting of this Convention be held in Atlanta, Georgia ;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee to be appointed on the place of meeting of the next General Convention. [See p. 47.]

The Bishop of Massachusetts offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the General Convention, at the invitation of the Bishop and Deputies of the Diocese of Massachusetts, hold the session of 1898 in the city of Boston ;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee to be appointed on the place of meeting of the next General Convention. [See p. 47.]

The Bishop of Maine, from the Deputation appointed to attend the Provincial Synod of Canada, presented the following report :

The Deputation appointed by the last General Convention to convey the greetings of this Church to the Provincial Synod of the Church of England in Canada, do respectfully report :

That they proceeded to the city of Montreal (Mr. Arthur J. C. Sowdon being substituted in the place and stead of Mr. John Nicholas Brown, unable to attend); and that on the twelfth day of September, 1895, they were formally introduced to his Grace the Archbishop of Ontario, Metropolitan and Presiding Bishop, in the presence of the whole Synod.

At the invitation of the Archbishop they conveyed many messages of good will and kind esteem, which were gratefully and graciously responded to by the Archbishop and the Very Reverend James Carmichael, the Prolocutor of the House of Deputies.

Your Deputation beg leave to report: That in their estimation, much good is done by the interchange of greetings between the two Churches of the United States and Canada, both to the members of the Churches, as also to the citizens of the two countries, which are so contiguous, and which have so many interests in common.

They respectfully recommend that, as the provinces of the Church of Canada have lately united and formed a synod for the whole Church in that land, in future no deputation be sent to the Provincial Synod of Canada, as heretofore, but to the General Synod, which synod, as they are informed, is to meet in the city of Winnipeg, in the Archdiocese of Rupert's Land, in the month of September, 1896, and they beg leave to show that this action recommended is in accordance with the action taken by the Canadian Church.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY A. NEELY,
Bishop of Maine.

THOS. F. DAVIES,
Bishop of Michigan.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 4th day of the Session,
October 5, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 2.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That consent be given to the erection of a new diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of Maryland; the territory of the new Diocese to consist of the District of Columbia, and the counties of Prince George's, Montgomery, St. Mary's, and Charles.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary.*

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [See p. 33.]

The following message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 4th day of the Session,
October 5, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 3.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That consent be given to the erection of a new diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of

California; the territory of the new Diocese to consist of the counties of Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, and San Diego.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [See p. 33.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 4th day of Session,
October 5, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 4.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that consent be given to the erection of a new diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of Kentucky; the territory of the new diocese to consist of the counties of Boone, Gallatin, Owen, Franklin, Anderson, Mercer, Boyle, Carey, Pulaski, Wayne, and all the territory in the State of Kentucky lying east of these.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [See p. 33.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 4th day of the Session,
October 5, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 5.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed, to fill vacancies on its part in the Joint Commission on Christian Unity, the Rev. Mr. Stone of Chicago, the Rev. Mr. Brewster of Long Island, the Rev. Dr. Lawrence of Massachusetts, and Mr. Fairbanks of Florida.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 4th day of the Session,
October 5, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 6.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a committee of five be appointed to act with a similar committee of the House of Bishops on the selection of the place of meeting for the General Convention of 1898.

And the House of Deputies appoints as members of such Joint Committee, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Ward of Kentucky, the Rev. Dr. Parks of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Lindsay of Massachusetts, Mr. Morgan of New York, and Mr. Earl of Albany.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 6, from the House of Deputies ; and the Chairman appointed as members of the Joint Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Georgia, and the Bishop of Massachusetts. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 5. See p. 47.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 5th day of the Session,
October 7, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 7.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Christian Unity have leave to print its correspondence, embracing all communications received by them together with their replies thereto.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 7 from the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 6.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 5th day of the Session,
October 7, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 8.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Joint Committee on the Standard Prayer Book be authorized to print from the type of the Standard one hundred and ten additional copies of the book, and to dispose of them to subscribers or otherwise.

Attest :

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, the House concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 8 from the House of Deputies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 7.]

The Bishop of Long Island offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That a special Committee be appointed to effect some joint action by the members of this House upon so much of the Archbishop of Canterbury's recent letter to the Bishops of this Church as relates to the suggestion of subjects to be discussed at the Lambeth Conference, in 1897 ;

which was adopted ; and the Chairman appointed as the Committee, the Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Iowa, and the Bishop of Vermont. [See pp. 36, 154.]

The Bishop of Delaware presented a Memorial of the Church Unity Society ; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 74.]

The Bishop of Montana offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Rules of Order be requested to consider the wisdom of changing the Seventh Rule, so that the Presiding Bishop shall have the power to choose the Chairman of the House ; which was adopted. [See p. 41.]

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following changes in the Constitution, proposed in the last General Convention and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, be finally agreed to and ratified in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, to wit :

Strike out the words "Assistant Bishop," wherever they occur, and insert in their place the words "Bishop Coadjutor" ;

which, on motion of the Bishop of Maryland, was made the Order of the Day for to-morrow morning immediately after the reading of the Minutes. [See p. 35.]

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, being the consideration of the report of the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole.

The Committee rose, and the Bishop of Pennsylvania, as Chairman, reported that the Committee of the Whole had had under consideration the matter referred to it, had made progress, and asked leave to sit again.

On motion, the request of the Committee was granted.

The Bishop of Minnesota presented a Memorial from the Convention of the Diocese of Minnesota, praying for the erection of a part of said Diocese into a Missionary Jurisdiction ; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions. [See p. 60.]

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be a Standing Order of this House that a recess shall be taken each day from one to three o'clock P. M., and that the House on resuming its business shall continue in session until half after five o'clock ; which was adopted.

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be referred to the Standing Committee on the Prayer Book to consider and report to this House, whether or not, in their judgment, the value of the Book of Common Prayer, as a means and a basis of Christian union, would not be greatly increased by the omission from the title-page of the said Book of Common Prayer, of the following words of the said title : " According to the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America." And if, in their judgment, such omission in the title-page of the Book of Common Prayer should appear to be desirable, that the said Standing Committee recommend to the House such action as may further the accomplishment of this result agreeably to the constitutional and canonical provisions applicable in such cases ;

which was adopted. [See p. 79.]

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole.

The Committee rose, and the Bishop of Pennsylvania, as Chairman of the Committee, reported that the Committee recommended for the approval of House, in place of that part of the Report of the Joint Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, beginning with the title " Constitution " and ending with the end of § 3 of Article I., the following :

CONSTITUTIONS AND CANONS

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THAT PORTION OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
KNOWN IN LAW AS THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

CONSTITUTIONS.

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Synod of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately ; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Synod must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction by reason of advanced age or infirmity shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdiction and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The senior Bishop of this Church in order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the presiding officer of the House of Bishops, and shall be called the Primate. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Synod, or, for its own needs, by the House of Bishops. The Primate shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be removed for disability or Canonical cause.

On motion of the Bishop of Quincy, the House proceeded to consider the Report of the Committee of the Whole, and to take action upon approving it, with a view to preparing resolutions of amendment to the present Constitution.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the words in the title of the amended Constitution following the words "Constitutions and Canons" be stricken out, and that the word "Ecclesiastical" be inserted instead thereof; so that the said title shall read "Constitutions and Canons Ecclesiastical of the Church in the United States of America";

which was not approved.

The question being on the approval of the title, as reported from the Committee of the Whole, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of the sub-title "Constitutions" and the numeral I., they were approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 1, as reported by the Committee of the Whole, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 2, as reported by the Committee of the Whole, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 3, as reported by the Committee of the Whole, it was approved.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the part of the Report of the Commission following Section 3. [See Appendix XVI.]

The question being on the approval of the first clause of Section 4, the Bishop of West Virginia moved to strike out the words, "Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its deputies shall be chosen"; which was not approved.

The Bishop of West Virginia moved to substitute for the same words, "chosen in the manner prescribed by each Diocese"; which was not approved.

The question being on the approval of the first clause of Section 4, the Bishop of Montana moved that the first sentence of Section 4 be amended so as to read :

The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Synod shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by one Presbyter and one Layman, and by one additional Presbyter and one additional Layman where the Diocese has fifty Clergymen, and by one additional Presbyter and one additional Layman for every hundred Clergymen in excess of fifty ;

which was not approved.

The Bishop of Georgia moved to strike out the words " The Church in " ; which was approved.

On motion of the Bishop of South Carolina, the action of the House in striking out the words " The Church in," was reconsidered.

The question recurring on the amendment moved by the Bishop of Georgia, to strike out the words, " The Church in, " it was not approved.

The Bishop of New York moved to insert after the words " communicants of this Church," the words " all of whom shall be chosen by," and to substitute the word " have " for the word " having."

The Bishop of Delaware moved, as an amendment to the motion of the Bishop of New York, to strike out the words " having domicile in the Diocese."

On motion, the proposed amendment and the motion of the Bishop of New York were laid on the table.

The question being on the approval of the first clause of Section 4, as contained in the Report of the Commission, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of the second clause of Section 4, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of the third clause of Section 4, it was approved, the words " this Constitution " being changed to the words " these Constitutions."

The question being on the approval of Section 4, as a whole, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 5, it was approved. [See below.]

The question being on the approval of Section 6, the Bishop of Southern Florida moved to strike out the words " without the right to vote " ; which was not approved.

The Bishop of Missouri moved to strike out the word "Jurisdiction" and to substitute in its place the word "District"; which was approved.

The Bishop of Oklahoma moved to amend Section 6 by striking out the words "the Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of," and substituting the word "each" for the word "any"; which was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 6, as amended, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 7, the Bishop of Kentucky moved that Section 7 be stricken out; which was adopted.

The question being on the approval of I., as amended, the Bishop of Maryland moved to amend Section 5, so that the second sentence should read: "Neither House during the session of the General Synod shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days, or to any place other than that in which the Synod shall be sitting"; which was approved.

The question being on the approval of I., as thus further amended, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 1 of II., the word "Article" being omitted, the Bishop of Kentucky moved to strike out "on the first Wednesday of October" in the first line, and to insert the words "time and" between the word "such" and the word "place" in the third line; which was approved.

The Bishop of Maryland moved to strike out the words "after the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight"; which was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 1 of II., as amended, it was approved, with the change of the word "Primus" to "Primate."

The question being on the approval of Section 2, the Bishop of Long Island moved that Section 2 be stricken out; which was adopted.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution;

Strike out the Title and insert in place thereof the following:

"Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that Portion of the

Catholic Church known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America"; adding thereto the sub-title "Constitutions";

which was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 8. See p. 40.]

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution, the following :

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Synod of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Synod must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction by reason of advanced age or infirmity shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdiction and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops and shall be called the Primate. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Synod or, for its own needs, by the House of Bishops. The Primate shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be removed for disability or canonical cause.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Synod shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than three Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and three Laymen, communicants of this Church and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one order only, such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the General Synod.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be

taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Synod shall adjourn without the consent of the other, for more than three days, or to any place other than that in which the Synod shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church shall have seats in the House of Deputies without the right to vote.

II.

The General Synod shall meet in every third year at such time and place as shall be appointed by the Synod; and if there shall appear to the Primate sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Synod;

which was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 9. See page 91.]

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That in the further consideration of the Articles of the Constitutions, as reported by the Commission on the Revision of the Constitutions and Canons, the House will proceed as a House of Bishops to consider the various amendments as separately offered in the shape of amendments to the present Constitution, according to the method prescribed in Article 9 of the Constitution for its alteration;

which was adopted.

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn till to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of Western New York pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, October 8, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of North Carolina, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Central New York, not present before, appeared and took his seat.

On motion of the Bishop of Long Island, the order of the day was postponed until after the transaction of routine business.

The Bishop of Quincy, from the Committee on Canons, reported that the Committee had made choice of the Bishop of Chicago to be its Chairman.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 19]:

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on Canons respectfully reports that it has duly considered a communication from the Bishop of Alabama addressed to the Presiding Bishop and referred to this Committee, proposing additional legislation with respect to the list of offences for which a clergyman may be presented for trial; and report that the legislation asked for has already been enacted, and now forms a part of the Canon applicable to this matter.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN,
Chairman.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY,
Secretary.

The Bishop of Long Island, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following report [see p. 15]:

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on New Dioceses, to which were referred the Memorials of the Dioceses of Maryland, Kentucky, and California, each asking consent to the formation of a new diocese out of its existing territory, respectfully reports that the Committee recommends the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies as declared in their Messages Nos. 2, 3, and 4, consenting to the formation of a new diocese out of the present Diocese of Maryland, to consist of the District of Columbia, together with the counties of Prince George's, Montgomery, St. Mary's, and Charles; consenting also to the formation of a new diocese out of the present Diocese of Kentucky, to consist of the counties of Boone, Gallatin, Owen, Franklin, Anderson, Mercer, Boyle, Carey, Pulaski, Wayne, and all the territory in the State of Kentucky lying east of these; consenting also to the formation of a new diocese out of the present Diocese of California, to consist of the counties of Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, and San Diego.

On motion of the Bishop of Long Island, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 2 from the House of Deputies.

On motion of the same Bishop, the House concurred in the

adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 3 from the House of Deputies.

On motion of the same Bishop, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 4 from the House of Deputies. [See pp. 23, 24. Communicated to the House of Deputies in Messages No. 10, 11, and 12.]

The Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Missionary District of Wyoming and Idaho be divided into two Missionary Districts, of which Wyoming shall constitute one and Idaho the other; and that the said two districts remain under the Episcopal charge of the Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions. [See p. 46.]

The Bishop of New York presented the following preamble and resolutions, adopted by a meeting of clergymen and laymen in the city of New York :

WHEREAS, The Armenian Church, one of the most ancient communities of Christendom, is being subjected to a persecution of peculiar atrocity, involving the wholesale slaughter of men and the violation of women; and

WHEREAS, Those who survive these terrible persecutions are now perishing from disease, cold, and hunger; and

WHEREAS, Our Church can occupy a position of peculiar power in molding public feeling both in this country and in England in this emergency; and

WHEREAS, In the New Testament times, as St. Paul tells us, the Churches of Christendom contributed to relieve the necessities each of the other;

Resolved, That this meeting of Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of New York respectfully memorialize the General Convention :

(1) To adopt a resolution urging our government and people to do all in their power to alleviate the condition of the Armenian people;

(2) To appoint a day when, after the apostolic precedent, collections may be taken up for the relief of this much suffering Church and nation;

(3) To appeal to the authorities of the Church of England to take such official action as will fitly commend the cause of the Armenian Church to the whole English-speaking world.

HENRY Y. SATTERLEE,
W. MONTAGUE GEER,
C. W. E. BODY,
J. BLEECKER MILLER,
HERANT M. KIRETCHJIAN,
AND OTHERS.

On motion of the Bishop of New York, the foregoing communication was referred to a Committee of three Bishops, to report to-morrow morning at 10 : 30 o'clock.

The Chairman appointed as such Committee the Bishop of

New York, the Bishop of Maryland, and the Bishop of California.
[See p. 54.]

The Bishop of Georgia laid before the House the following telegraphic despatches :

(1) Please extend to Triennial Convention of Episcopal Church a cordial and urgent invitation to hold its next Convention in Georgia. It will be warmly welcomed here, and such an event will be invaluable to the work of the Church in this State.

(Signed) W. G. ATKINSON,
Governor of Georgia.

(2) Atlanta cordially invites Episcopal Church to hold next Triennial Convention here.

(Signed) PORTER KING,
Mayor of Atlanta.

and, on his motion, these messages of invitation were referred to the joint Committee on the place of meeting of the next General Convention. [See p. 47.]

The Bishop of Iowa laid before the House a List of Ordinations to the Diaconate and the Priesthood from the year 1885 to the year 1895, with lists of clergymen deceased and of those deposed, including also corrections in formerly published lists, with a full Index, prepared by Archdeacon H. C. Duncan, of Louisiana, and by him presented to the General Convention; and he offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring. That a Joint Committee be appointed to report suitable action with reference to the lists prepared by Archdeacon Duncan;

which resolution was adopted.

The Chairman appointed, as members of the Committee on the part of this House, the Bishop of Northern Texas, the Bishop of Western Michigan, and the Bishop of North Carolina. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 14. See p. 56.]

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, being the resolution offered yesterday by the Bishop of Quincy [see p. 26], proposing the final ratification of proposed amendments to the Constitution, substituting the words "Bishop Coadjutor" for the words "Assistant Bishop."

The question being on the adoption of the resolution, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 13.]

On motion of the Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of New York was added to the Committee to suggest to the Archbishop of Canterbury subjects for discussion at the next Lambeth Conference. [See p. 26.]

The Bishop of New Hampshire, for the Joint Committee on Marginal Readings in the English Version of the Scriptures, presented the following report :

The Joint Committee of five Bishops and five Presbyters, appointed by the last General Convention to "consider and after communication with the Commission recently appointed by the Convocation of Canterbury report to the next triennial session of the General Convention, which, if any, of the proposed amendments in the Revised Version of the translation of the Old and New Testaments might properly be authorized by the General Convention as marginal readings," respectfully reports :

That it organized by the election of the Bishop of Connecticut as Chairman and the Rev. Dr. Hart as Secretary, and after selecting passages from the Old and New Testaments for the beginning of its work, on which each member was to bring in a report, requested the Chairman to enter into correspondence with the Archbishop of Canterbury as to the work of a similar nature undertaken by the Convocation of his Province. At the next meeting of the Joint Committee the Chairman reported that he had received from the Archbishop of Canterbury a communication, from which it appeared that the action of the General Convention had been based on a misapprehension, and that no Commission of the Convocation of Canterbury had been appointed for the purpose stated. The Committee therefore felt itself precluded, under the terms of its appointment, from further action ; and it recommends the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee appointed by the last General Convention to report upon Marginal Readings in the version of the Holy Scripture be discharged.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of Kentucky offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission be appointed, to consist of five Bishops and five Presbyters, who shall have authority to call to their aid such experts as they may choose, and who shall consider and report to the next Triennial Session of the General Convention, what, if any, marginal readings for the English version of the Old and New Testaments, the General Convention may authorize for the instruction of our people.

The Bishop of Maryland moved to strike out the words "who shall have authority to call to their aid such experts as they may choose, and" ; which was adopted.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution, as amended, it was adopted.

The Chairman appointed as members of the Commission, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Vermont, and the Assistant Bishop of Tennessee. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 17. See p. 56.]

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, being the further consideration of the Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution.

The question being on the approval of Section 1 of III., the Bishop of Vermont moved to strike out the words "educational and charitable" in clause (d).

The Bishop of Delaware moved as an amendment that (d) read, "The general missionary work of the Church, and such educational and charitable work as shall be duly recognized and authorized by the General Synod."

The Bishop of Maryland moved, as a substitute, to strike out "(d)" of Section 1 of III.; which was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 1 of III., as amended, the Bishop of Georgia moved to strike out the words "expressly or by implication"; which was approved.

The question recurring on the approval of Section 1 of III., as amended, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 2 of III., the Bishop of Georgia moved that the words "Section 2" and all following to the word "the" in the third line be stricken out, and the clause beginning "The offences" be numbered (d); which was not approved.

The question being on the approval of the first paragraph of Section 2 of III., it was approved.

The question being on the approval of the second paragraph of Section 2, the Assistant Bishop of Virginia moved to strike out the words "House of Bishops" and substitute the words "General Synod"; which was not approved.

The question recurring on the approval of the second paragraph, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of the third paragraph, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of the fourth paragraph, the Bishop of Chicago moved to strike out the first sentence; which was not approved.

The question recurring on the approval of the fourth paragraph, the Bishop of Western Michigan moved to strike out the words "all trials shall be public, except by the consent of the accused"; which was not approved.

The Bishop of Cape Palmas moved to strike out the words "except by the consent of the accused," and substitute the words "unless otherwise desired by the accused"; which was not approved.

The Bishop of Vermont moved to insert the words "or worship" after the word "doctrine"; which was not approved.

On motion of the Bishop of Long Island, the action of the House in reference to the first sentence of the fourth paragraph was reconsidered.

The Order of the Day having been, on motion, suspended, the Bishop of Iowa, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 15]:

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on Rules of Order respectfully report that they have considered the resolution referred to them, on the motion of the Bishop of Chicago, respecting noon-tide prayers for Missions, and that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That an additional Rule of Order be adopted, to be numbered XXIV., to wit:

XXIV. The House shall be bidden to prayer for Missions at noon of each day of the session;

And that Rules XXIV. and XXV. be numbered respectively XXV. and XXVI.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY,
ELLISON CAPERS,
FRANK R. MILLSPAUGH.

Committee.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The hour of noon having arrived, the Chairman bade the House to prayer for Missions.

The Order of the Day being resumed, the question recurring on the adoption of the first sentence of the fourth paragraph, the Bishop of Long Island moved that it be stricken out; which was approved.

The question being on Section 2, as amended, it was approved.

The Order of the Day having been, on motion, suspended, the Bishop of Maryland offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the method of voting upon the adoption of amendments to the Constitution be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution ;

which was adopted. [See p. 53.]

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 123 of the Digest] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 9.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that Title III., Canon 1, § ii. [1], be amended so as to read as follows :

"The journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents, which are named under Title I., Canon 20, entitled *Of the Mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church*, together with all other articles that are now, or shall hereafter become, the property of either House of the General Convention of this Church, shall be committed, when not otherwise expressly provided for, to the keeping of a Presbyter to be elected by the House of Deputies, upon nomination of the House of Bishops, who shall be known as the Registrar of the General Convention."

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the House concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 9 from the House of Deputies. [Communicated to this House of Deputies in Message No. 15.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 10.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer have authority to keep the Standard Book and the books referred to in his report in the fire-proof vault of the Church Missions House, New York.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the House concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 10 from the House of Deputies.

ties. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 16.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 31]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 11.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that, by a constitutional vote, it has concurred in Message No. 8 from the House of Bishops, proposing amendment of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out the Title and insert in place thereof the following:

“Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that Portion of the Catholic Church Known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America”; adding thereto the sub-title, “Constitutions.”

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 19]:

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Canons reports that it has considered the Memorial from the Members of the Woman's Army and Navy League touching the oversight of Chaplains who are priests of this Church, and recommends the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, That the Memorial from the Members of the Woman's Army and Navy League, with the papers accompanying the same, be referred to the consideration of the Bishops in Council.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 19]:

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Rules of Order respectfully report that they have considered the resolution of the Bishop of Delaware respecting a modification of the Rules of Order which may facilitate and simplify the proceedings of this House when sitting as a Committee of the Whole, and that in the judgment of the Committee no such modification is necessary; and the Committee respectfully ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject in question.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the Committee was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The Bishop of Iowa, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 26] :

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on Rules of Order, to whom was referred a resolution of the Bishop of Montana, proposing a change in the Seventh Rule of Order, respectfully report that in their judgment no such change as that suggested is desirable; and they therefore ask to be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Chairman.*

On motion, the Committee was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The Bishop of Iowa, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 21] :

REPORT NO. 4.

The Committee on Rules of Order, to whom was referred the consideration of a motion of inquiry respecting a supposed inconsistency existing in the Standing Orders and the Rules of Order as to the duties and privileges of the Presiding Bishop, respectfully report the following resolution, to wit :

Resolved, That the first and second of the present Standing Orders be repealed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Chairman.*

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, The resolution creating the Church University Board of Regents ordered that the Regents appointed under that resolution should continue in office until the next General Convention or until their successors should be appointed;

Resolved, That this House will proceed on the 11th day of October, at one o'clock, to elect such members of this House as shall be the Episcopal Regents on the Church University Board; and that this action be communicated to the House of Deputies;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 20. See p. 73.]

The Bishop of Central New York, from the Committee on Religious Services, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 1.

In accordance with the second General Rule, the Committee on Religious Services recommends the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That there shall be a celebration of the Holy Communion for the House of Bishops each Thursday morning during the session, at half-past seven o'clock, in Gethsemane Church.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day.

The question being on Section 3 of III. of the proposed Constitution, it was approved.

The question being on Section 4, it was approved.

The Bishop of Maryland offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That, pending the decision of the question referred to the Committee on the Constitution concerning the mode of voting on amendments, the Chairman be instructed to take the question of the adoption of a completed article by a rising vote which may be counted ;

which was adopted.

The question being on the approval of III., as amended, the Bishop of Delaware moved that, in the third of the Constitutions, the word " Presbyter," wherever it occurs, be stricken out and the word " Priest " be inserted in lieu thereof ; which was not adopted.

The question recurring on the approval of III., as amended, it was approved.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution ;

Strike out Article 6 of the Constitution, and insert the following after I. and II. of the Constitutions :

III.

SECTION 1. For the purposes declared in these Constitutions, and under the limitations therein prescribed, the General Synod is the Supreme Legislative Authority in this Church, and, in addition to such powers as are elsewhere in these Constitutions conferred upon it, shall have exclusive power to legislate upon the following subjects :

(a) The qualifications and conditions for making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons.

(b) The conditions for the formation, division, and rearrangement of Provinces and Dioceses, and the relations of Provinces and Dioceses to each other.

(c) The foreign relations of the Church.

SEC. 2. The General Synod shall also have power to enact Canons of Discipline, and exclusive power to enact Canons defining the offences for which Bishops, Presbyters, and Deacons may be tried, and determining the penalties ; such penalties being admonition, or suspension, or deposition, or degradation from the Ministry. But whenever the sentence of

suspension is pronounced, it shall specify on what terms and at what time the penalty shall cease.

The court for the trial of a Bishop shall be composed of Bishops only. The mode of trial of a Bishop and all proceedings regulating the same, including the form of the judgment to be rendered, and of the sentence thereupon, and the modification or remission of such sentence, shall be prescribed by ordinances to be enacted by the House of Bishops.

The mode of trial of Presbyters and of Deacons, and the proceedings regulating the same, including the form of the judgment to be rendered and of the sentence thereupon, shall be prescribed by the Diocese in which such trial is held, or by the Province with the consent of the said Diocese.

All trials shall be public except by the consent of the accused. No one but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence upon any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

SEC. 3. The General Synod shall have further power to provide by Canon for the exercise of discipline by the Bishop of a Missionary District over Presbyters and Deacons canonically connected therewith, unless such provision have been made by the Province with which such District is united, and assented to by said Bishop.

SEC. 4. The powers not committed to the General Synod or to the Provincial Synods by these Constitutions, nor prohibited by it to the Dioceses, are reserved to the Dioceses respectively, save that no Diocese or Province shall legislate in regard to doctrine or worship. The right belongs to each Diocese to legislate for its own diocesan interests, and to delegate authority belonging to it, as is hereinafter provided, to the Province with which it is united as provided in IV.; but no Diocese or Province shall by its legislation contravene these Constitutions, or any Canon of the General Synod enacted in conformity therewith;

which was adopted by a rising vote.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 18.]

The House proceeded with the Order of the Day; and, the question being on the approval of Section 1 of IV. of the proposed Constitutions, the Bishop of Fond du Lac moved to strike out the word "five" in the last line and to substitute the word "ten."

The Bishop of Delaware moved, as an amendment, to substitute "seven" for "five"; which was not approved.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Fond du Lac, it was not approved.

The Bishop of Colorado moved to strike out the last sentence.

The Bishop of Maryland moved, as an amendment, to substitute "eight" for "five"; which was not approved.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Colorado, it was not approved.

The question recurring on the approval of Section 1, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 2 of IV., the Bishop of Georgia moved to substitute the words "the other clergy and the laity" for the words "clergy and laity"; which was not approved.

The Bishop of Ohio moved to insert after the word "doctrine" the words "touching the Faith as contained in the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds"; which was not approved.

The question recurring on the approval of Section 2, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 3, the Bishop of Fond du Lac moved to substitute the word "Archbishop" for the word "Primate."

The Bishop of New Mexico offered an amendment.

The Bishop of Colorado moved as a substitute to strike out the whole section; which was not approved.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of New Mexico, it was not approved.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Fond du Lac, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of IV. as amended, it was approved.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, that the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Amend the Constitution by inserting, after III. of the Constitutions, the following:

IV.

SECTION 1. The Dioceses and Missionary Districts shall be united into Provinces by the General Synod in such manner and under such conditions as shall be provided by Canon. The bounds of such Provinces shall be determined by the General Synod, and may at any time thereafter be changed by the General Synod, with the consent of the Provinces concerned. Every Province must include not less than five contiguous dioceses.

SEC. 2. In each Province a Synod, composed of the Bishops and of Clergy and Laity, shall be constituted by the action of a majority of the Conventions of the Dioceses within such Province and of the Bishops therein, for the exercise of such legislative powers, not inconsistent with the Constitutional powers of the General Synod, as may by such action be delegated to it; but no Diocese shall be bound by any legislation of said Synod until it shall have entered into union therewith.

Such Synod may provide a uniform mode of trial of Presbyters and of Deacons for such of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts in said Province as shall have consented thereto by entering into union with the said Synod, and an appeal may be had by the accused, under rules provided by such Synod, from the decision rendered in any such trial upon all questions of law, and by either party upon questions of doctrine, to a court composed of the Bishops of the Province, exclusive of the one in whose jurisdiction the decision was rendered. But no question of fact shall be reviewed upon any appeal.

SEC. 3. The Bishops of each Province shall elect one of their number to be Archbishop of the Province;

which was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 19.]

The Bishop of Quincy moved that Section 1 of V. be approved.

Pending action on this motion, on motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

On motion of the Bishop of Maine, permission was given to the Committee on Christian Education of this House to sit with the Committee on Christian Education of the House of Deputies. [See p. 57.]

The Bishop of Albany presented his report as Bishop in charge of the American Chapels on the Continent of Europe. [Appendix XVIII.]

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 9, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer and Litany, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of North Carolina, after which the House was bidden to Prayer by the Chairman.

The Bishop of Arkansas, not present before, appeared and took his seat.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and, on motion, approved.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of New York, it was not adopted.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of Iowa moved, as an amendment to the amendment, to substitute "Atlanta, Georgia," in place of "Louisville."

Pending action on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Iowa, the House took a recess. [See p. 51.]

The House met after the recess.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, being the further consideration of the report of the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution; and the question being on the approval of Section 1 of V., it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 2, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 3, the Bishop of Vermont offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Commission be requested to consider and, if possible, report an amendment to Canon 9, § I., ii., corresponding with Section 3 of V. of the Constitutions, which would provide a court (consisting either of a quorum of Bishops of the Church, or of comprovincial Bishops) for the confirmation of bishops-elect; to which court should be submitted evidence of proper election, of the elect's Baptism and Confirmation, with his letters of Orders, and testimonials as now; and by which court a hearing should be given to objections to the confirmation, with such answers as may be made;

which was not adopted.

The Bishop of West Virginia moved that after the first sentence be inserted the words :

"And of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses; but in case the election of a bishop shall take place within three months before the meeting of the General Convention, all matters relative to the Consecration shall be deferred until the said meeting, and then a vote of the majority of the Dioceses shall be necessary to confirmation."

The question was divided; and, the question being on the approval of the first part of the proposed amendment, viz. : to insert after the words "United States" the words "and of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses," it was approved.

By consent of the House, the second part of the proposed amendment was withdrawn; but having been renewed by the Bishop of Western New York, it was not approved.

On motion of the Bishop of Maryland, the action of the House,

in approving the first part of the amendment offered by the Bishop of West Virginia, was reconsidered.

The question recurring on the first part of the amendment offered by the Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Georgia moved to postpone the question ; which was not approved.

The question recurring on the approval of the first part of the amendment, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 3, as amended, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 4, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 5, it was approved.

The question being on V., as amended, the Bishop of The Platte offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Commission on the Revision of the Constitutions and Canons be requested to consider and report whether in their judgment any part of V. of the Constitutions should be put in the Canons rather than appear in the Constitutions of the Church ;

which was adopted. [See p.61.]

The question being on the approval of Section 1 of VI., it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 2, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of VI., it was approved.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

Amend the Constitution by inserting the following as VI. of the Constitutions :

VI.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese there shall be a Standing Committee, which shall be appointed by the Convention of the Diocese, whose duties, except so far as provided for in the Canons of the General Synod, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

SEC. 2. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese the said Committee shall be his Council of Advice, and when there is no such Bishop it shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese ;

which was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 23.]

The question being on the approval of Section 1 of VII., the Bishop of Northern Texas moved that the words "or in a Missionary District" be stricken out; which was approved.

The Bishop of Southern Florida moved to substitute "six" for "ten" in the seventh and the eighth lines, and "twelve" for "fifteen" in the thirteenth and fourteenth lines; which was not approved.

The Bishop of Oklahoma moved to strike out the words "self-supporting" in the seventh and thirteenth lines; which was not approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 1 of VII., it was approved.

The Bishop of Quincy moved that Section 2 of VII. be approved.

The Order of the Day being suspended, the following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 7th day of the Session,
October 9, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 12.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention give its consent to the erection of the Diocese of Northern Michigan, with boundaries conterminous with those of the previous Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the resolution contained in Message No. 12 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [See p. 54.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 7th day of the Session,
October 9, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 13.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Book of Common Prayer, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention:

That, on the first day of January in the year of our Lord 1900, the place of the Golden Numbers prefixed to several days in the Calendar, between the twenty-first day of March and the eighteenth day of April,

both inclusive, be changed, and that the Golden Numbers be prefixed to days in the Calendar in March and April as in the following table:

IN MARCH:		IN APRIL:	
	21		1
14	22	13	2
3	23	2	3
	24		4
11	25	10	5
	26		6
19	27	18	7
8	28	7	8
	29		9
16	30	15	10
5	31	4	11
			12
		12	13
		1	14
			15
		9	16
		17	17
		6	18

and that in the fifth line of page xxv, the figures "1899" be changed to "1895."

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the resolution contained in Message No. 13 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book. [See p. 67.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 7th day of the Session,
October 9, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 14.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the next General Convention be held in the city of Atlanta, Georgia.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Iowa moved that this House concur in the resolution contained in Message No. 14 from the House of Deputies.

The Assistant Bishop of Minnesota moved to amend by substituting "Louisville, Kentucky," in place of "Atlanta, Georgia."

The Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio moved to postpone the consideration of the question until after the first Order of the Day to-morrow; which was adopted. [See p. 57.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 7th day of the Session,
October 9, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 15.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 13 from the House of Bishops proposing to strike out the words "Assistant Bishop" from the Constitution and insert in their place the words "Bishop Coadjutor."

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this House be authorized to remove to the Church Missions House in New York City the journals, papers, and other property of this House now deposited in the Diocesan House in said city;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Delaware offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be returned to the Bishop of New York for the kindness and courtesy by which provision has been made, during the past eight years, for the deposit of the archives of the House of Bishops in the Diocesan House in New York;

which was adopted.

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn till to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of Minnesota pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 10, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Massachusetts, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Olympia offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be requested to give an opinion as to whether the choice of the Constitutions and Canons for the government of a Missionary Jurisdiction, according to Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [5] (page 66 of the Digest), by the first Missionary Bishop of a Missionary Jurisdiction, is binding on his successor until the Missionary

Jurisdiction shall have been erected into a Diocese and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons;

which was adopted. [See p. 90.]

The Bishop of Iowa in behalf of the Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on the Pastoral Letter be requested to call special attention to the rubrical law of the Church, and earnestly urge a more careful obedience thereto;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitutions, presented the following report [see p. 39] :

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which it was referred to consider the method of voting upon the adoption of amendments to the Constitution, recommends the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That in voting on the final adoption of amendments to the Constitution, the question shall be put by the Chairman of the House in the usual way; but in every case the Bishops voting shall rise and be counted by the Secretary, who shall report the count to the Chairman of the House, and he shall announce the same to the House.

O. W. WHITAKER, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of Long Island, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following report [see p. 15] :

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred a Memorial of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, praying for admission into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, beg leave to report that they recommend the adoption of the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, The said Memorial sets forth that at a Primary Convention called September 30, 1895, by the Bishop of Michigan, provisionally in charge of the Jurisdiction, to consider the question of Diocesan organization, the Clergy and Laity, representing the Parishes in said Jurisdiction, did proceed to organize a Diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church, whose bounds are coterminous with the bounds of the Missionary Jurisdiction aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, It was also unanimously resolved that the Church in this proposed Diocese, in Primary Convention assembled, hereby accedes to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and adopts the same; and

WHEREAS, Your Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate by the said Diocese; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the said Diocese, having the boundaries of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, be admitted into union with the General Convention as a Diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, the Bishop of Maryland moved to strike out all between the word "concurring" and the words "be admitted," and to insert in place thereof the words

"that the consent of the General Convention be given to the organization of a new diocese conterminous with the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan; and that the said Diocese";

which was adopted.

The question being on the resolution as amended, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 24.]

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution [see p. 50] :

Resolved, That the House does not concur in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 12 from the House of Deputies, and that it ask for a Committee of Conference;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed as the Committee of Conference, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Colorado, and the Bishop of Maryland. [See p. 63.]

The Bishop of Georgia presented the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to nominate members of the Missionary Council and of the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed as members of the Committee on the part of the House, the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of Shanghai, the Bishop of North Carolina, the Bishop of Massachusetts, and the Bishop of Indiana. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 25. See p. 78.]

The Bishop of New York, from the Special Committee to which was referred a preamble and resolution with reference to the sufferings of the Armenian Church [see p. 34], presented as a report the following preamble and resolutions :

WHEREAS, The Armenian Church, one of the most ancient communions in Christendom, is being subjected to a persecution of peculiar atrocity, involving the wholesale slaughter of men and the violation of women; and

WHEREAS, Those who survive these terrible persecutions are now perishing from disease, cold, and hunger; and

WHEREAS, In the New Testament times, as St. Paul tells us, the Churches of Christendom contributed to relieve the necessities, each of the other; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention commends to all those whom it in any wise represents, and to all Christian people, the prompt and energetic employment of whatever measures may contribute to the succor of this afflicted people, and especially such contributions as may relieve their sore necessities.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the authorities of the Church of England be respectfully asked to take such action as will fitly commend the cause of the Armenian Church to the whole English-speaking world.

H. C. POTTER.
WILLIAM PARET.
WILLIAM F. NICHOLS.

On motion, the preamble and resolutions reported by the Committee were adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 26. See p. 64.]

The Bishop of Central New York, from the Commission on Moravian Orders, presented the following report:

The Commission on Moravian Orders beg leave to report that, the subject committed to them having been brought before the Lambeth Conference, and that body having entered into its consideration, including correspondence with members of this Committee, further action on the part of this House appears to be, for the present, inexpedient.

JOHN WILLIAMS.
F. D. HUNTINGTON.
O. W. WHITAKER.
N. S. RULISON.

The Bishop of New York presented the eighth triennial Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen. [See Appendix V.]

The Bishop of Maryland presented a Memorial from the eleventh annual Conference of Church Workers among Colored People; which, on motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 75.]

The Bishop of Chicago offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to consider whether any additional legislation is needed in order to provide for the admission of a Missionary Jurisdiction into union with this Convention as a Diocese;

which was adopted. [See p. 87.]

The Bishop of New Mexico offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions to consider and report on the wisdom and propriety of adding to the title of the Missionary District of Oklahoma the further words "and the Indian Territory";

which was adopted. [See p. 75.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

At noon, the Bishop of Minnesota bade the Bishops to prayer for Missions.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 35, 73]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 7th day of the Session,
October 9, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 16.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 14 from the House of Bishops, proposing a Joint Committee to report suitable action with reference to Lists of Ordinations, etc., prepared by Archdeacon Duncan;

And that it has appointed, as members of the Committee on the part of this House the Rev. Dr. Babcock of Central New York, the Rev. Dr. Grammer of Virginia, the Rev. Mr. Aves of Texas, Mr. Ryerson of Chicago, Mr. De Rosset of East Carolina, and Mr. Robinson of Western Michigan.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 36]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 7th day of the Session,
October 9, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 17.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolutions contained in Message No. 17 from the House of Bishops, proposing to discharge the Joint Committee on Marginal Readings, etc., and to appoint a Joint Commission to report to the next triennial session on the same subject;

And the House of Deputies has appointed, as members of the Joint Commission on its part, the Rev. Dr. Harwood of Connecticut, the Rev. Dr. Carey of Albany, the Rev. Dr. Drowne of Long Island, the Rev. Dr. Renouf of New Hampshire, and the Rev. Mr. Sterling of Central Pennsylvania.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 7th day of the Session,
October 9, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 18.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed to fill the vacancy in the Commission on Archives, caused by the

resignation of Mr. Hayes of Newark, Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan of New York.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 8th day of the Session,
October 10, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 19.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Christian Education of the House of Deputies have leave to sit with the Committee of the House of Bishops on the same subject.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

[Corresponding action [see p. 45] communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 27.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 8th day of the Session,
October 10, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 20.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Secretaries of the House of Bishops and of the House of Deputies be instructed to have prepared, by an expert in such matters, a careful subject index to the Journal of the General Convention, and a like index to the Digest of Constitution and Canons.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, action on the resolution contained in Message No. 20 from the House of Deputies was postponed. [See p. 59.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to nominate a Board of Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society ;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 28. See p. 63.]

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, being the consideration of the resolution contained in Message No. 14 from the House of Deputies and of an amendment moved thereto. [See p. 51.] The question being upon the amendment offered by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota to substitute "Louisville, Kentucky," in place of "Atlanta, Georgia," as the place for the

meeting of the next General Convention, the Bishop of Louisiana moved to amend the amendment by substituting "New Orleans, Louisiana," in place of "Louisville, Kentucky"; which was not adopted.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, it was adopted.

The question being on the resolution as amended, it was adopted.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House does not concur in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 14 from the House of Deputies in reference to the place of meeting of the next General Convention; and that it asks for a Committee of Conference;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed as members on the Committee of Conference, on the part of this House, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of California, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 29. See p. 64.]

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on the Pastoral Letter be instructed, in such way as shall seem to them best, to recognize the authority of the Pastoral Letter issued by the Bishops in Council in October, 1894, and to reaffirm the doctrinal teaching of the same;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That when this House adjourn it adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, without holding an afternoon session;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Albany offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee, consisting of two bishops, two presbyters, and two laymen, be appointed to arrange an order of work for the next Missionary Council;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 30. See pp. 59, 78.]

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn till to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of Maine pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

NINTH DAY.

FRIDAY, October 11, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer and Litany, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Chairman, in accordance with a resolution passed yesterday [see p. 58], appointed, as members on the part of this House of a Joint Committee to make arrangements for the next meeting of the Missionary Council, the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Ohio. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 30. See p. 78.]

The House proceeded to the consideration of the resolution contained in Message No. 20 from the House of Deputies. [See p. 57.]

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House concurs in the resolution contained in Message No. 20 from the House of Deputies, and asks for a Committee of Conference with a view to the preparation of a proper Index and Digest of all Journals of the General Convention ;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed, as members of the Committee of Conference on the part of this House, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of Delaware. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 32. See p. 79.]

The Bishop of Pittsburgh offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Rule of Order numbered XVII. of the General Rules be referred to the Committee on Rules of Order, to consider and report whether all ambiguity may not be removed with regard to reception of Messages from the House of Deputies ;

which was adopted. [See p. 82.]

The Bishop of Florida, from the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following report [see p. 26] :

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on Domestic Missions, to which was referred the matter of constituting a Missionary District in the limits of the Diocese of Minnesota, recommends the passage of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That that portion of the Diocese of Minnesota lying north of the south line of the counties of Big Stone, Stevens, Pope, Stearns, Benton, Mille Lacs, Kanabec, and Pine, be and is hereby constituted a Missionary District of this Church.

Resolved, That the Missionary District so constituted be called the Missionary District of Duluth.

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate to the House of Deputies notification of the establishment, by this House, of the said Missionary District, and ask the concurrence of the said House.

On motion of the Bishop of Maine, the foregoing report was made the Order of the Day for Monday next, after the transaction of routine business. [See p. 82.]

The Bishop of Ohio, from the Committee on Foreign Missions, presented the following report [see pp. 18, 20, 21]:

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on Foreign Missions met on the 8th of October and organized, with the Bishop of New Jersey in the chair, by electing the Bishop of Ohio Secretary.

They beg leave to report that the letter of the Lord Bishop of Corea, asking for the fraternal relations and services of missionaries of this Church within his Jurisdiction, was referred to the Missionary Bishops of Tokyo and Shanghai, with the request that they return to his Lordship a suitable reply.

They consider the letter of the Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas, referred to them, to be the property of the Board of Missions, and have sent the same to the General Secretary.

They have carefully considered the petition of the Convocation of Tokyo, asking that a new Missionary District, to be named Kyoto, be erected in the islands of Japan, and have held consultation with the Right Reverend Bishop of Tokyo on this subject. Their deliberate judgment is that, at present, it is inexpedient to erect such new Missionary Jurisdiction.

The Committee therefore recommend to this House of Bishops the following resolutions, viz.:

Resolved, That the Bishops of Tokyo and Shanghai be requested to communicate with the Lord Bishop of Corea on the subject of fraternal relations.

Resolved, That the letter of the Bishop of Cape Palmas be referred to the Board of Managers.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient at present to erect a new Missionary District in the islands of Japan.

JOHN SCARBOROUGH.
GEO. W. PETERKIN.
W. A. LEONARD.
THOS. F. DAVIES.

The question being on the adoption of the first resolution recommended by the Committee, it was adopted.

The question being on the adoption of the second resolution, it

was, on motion, amended by striking out the words "Board of Managers" and inserting the words "General Convention"; and, as amended, it was adopted.

The question being on the adoption of the third resolution, the Bishop of Maine moved to substitute the following resolution:

Resolved, That a new Missionary District be erected in the islands of Japan, to be called the Missionary District of Kyoto, and that this House proceed to nominate to the House of Deputies a Presbyterian for election as Bishop of the said new Missionary District;

which, on motion of the Bishop of West Virginia, was made the Order of the Day immediately after action upon the report of the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution. [See p. 72.]

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day and the Bishop of Quincy, from the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, presented the following report [see p. 49]:

The Joint Commission on Revision of the Constitutions and Canons, to whom was referred V. of the Constitutions as amended, with a request for its judgment as to the parts of the same which may fitly be relegated to canonical legislation, respectfully submits to the House, that, in their judgment, all parts of V., as amended by the House, should be retained in the Constitutions, as being so far organic and of such import, that they should not be subject to change except by the decision of the General Synod in two of its triennial sessions.

By order.

ALEXANDER BURGESS, *Vice-Chairman*.

The question being on V. of the Constitutions, as amended, it was approved.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Strike out Articles IV. and X. of the Constitution, and insert the following as V. of the Constitutions:

V.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese the Bishop, or Bishop Coadjutor, shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be prescribed by the Convention of that Diocese. Missionary Bishops shall be chosen by the House of Bishops in accordance with canonical provisions of the General Synod.

SEC. 2. A Bishop shall confine the exercise of his office to his own Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, unless requested to perform some Episcopal act in another Diocese or in a Missionary District by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, or unless authorized and appointed by the

House of Bishops to act temporarily, in case of need, beyond the territorial limits of the United States.

SEC. 3. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor without the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction in the United States, and the consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop by less than three Bishops.

SEC. 4. A Bishop may not resign his jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

SEC. 5. Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due application therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Primate under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Synod. Such Bishops shall not be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, unless requested to do so by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof;

which was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 31.]

[For action on Section 1 of VII., see p. 50.]

The Bishop of Northern Texas moved to insert the following as Section 1, and to number Section 1, already approved, as Section 2 :

A Missionary District shall be organized as a Diocese, with the consent of the General Synod and of the Provincial Synod first had and obtained, when it contains six duly organized parishes wherein a reasonable support for the ministry has been provided for at least one year, and six presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident and for the same period holding a cure of souls within the District; provided, that satisfactory assurance shall be given of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate; and provided further, if at the expiration of twenty-one years from the date of the formation of any Missionary District, it shall not have developed the degree of strength herein required, it shall be dealt with as the House of Bishops may determine.

The Bishop of Kentucky moved to amend the amendment by the substitution of the following :

A new diocese may be formed within a Missionary District, with the consent of the General Synod and of the Provincial Synod first had and obtained; but such consent shall not be given unless the proposed Diocese contain at the time the consent is given at least six duly organized congregations, and six presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident and for the same period holding a cure within the bounds of the proposed Diocese and qualified to vote for a Bishop; nor until the General Synod has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following as a substitute for the whole matter :

The Church in any State or Territory of the United States, or any part of the same not now represented, may at any time hereafter be admitted into union on acceding to the Constitutions, it being a pre-

requisite condition thereto that suitable and satisfactory provision be made for the support of the Episcopate and that there be at least six duly organized congregations or parishes and at least six presbyters who have been for one year canonically resident and for that period holding cure of souls within the bounds of such proposed Diocese.

[See p. 65.]

The hour of noon having arrived, the House was bidden to prayer for Missions by the Chairman.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 54, 72] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 8th day of the Session,
October 10, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 21.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it consents to the request of the House of Bishops, communicated in their Message No. 24, asking for Committee of Conference on Message No. 12 of the House of Deputies, touching the proposed Diocese of Northern Michigan:

And that it appoints as members of such Committee of Conference, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Richards of Rhode Island, the Rev. Mr. Williams of Northern Michigan, and Mr. Peter White of Northern Michigan.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 8th day of the Session,
October 10, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 22.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee consisting of two bishops, two presbyters, and two laymen be appointed for the purpose of nominating to the General Convention fifteen persons to be appointed Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society;

And that it has appointed as members of such Joint Committee, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Lawrence of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Littell of Delaware, Mr. Wilmer of Maryland, and Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 22 from the House of Deputies; and the Chairman appointed as members of the Joint Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Nebraska and the Bishop of Florida. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 28. See p. 91.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 54] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 23.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the resolutions contained in Message No. 26 from the House of Bishops, concerning the persecution of Armenian Christians, etc.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 139 of the Digest]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 24.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, § i., be amended by the addition of the following Article, to be numbered Article X.:

“Whenever there shall be a meeting of the Board of Missions as provided for in Article III. of this Canon, there shall be a call of the Bishops and of all deputations and delegations and of the other members of the Board, and in all votes such call shall also be made whenever demanded by the Clerical or Lay Deputation of any Diocese or by any three members appointed under Article III. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for business. A majority of all members of the Board present at any meeting shall be necessary to pass any motion.”

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, be amended by changing the numbering of Article X. to Article XI.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in Message No. 24 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 88.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies[see p. 58]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 25.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it does not concur in the resolution contained in Message No. 29 from the House of Bishops, proposing Louisville, Kentucky, as the place of meeting of the next General Convention.

The House of Deputies yields to the request of the House of Bishops for Committee of Conference on place of meeting of next General Convention, and appoints as members of such Committee of Conference, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Perkins of Kentucky, Mr. Paine of Massachusetts, and Mr. Miller of Georgia.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

[See p. 73.]

The House resumed the Order of the Day ; and the question being on the approval of the substitute for the proposed Section 1 of VII. and the proposed amendments thereto, offered by the Bishop of Quincy [see p. 63], it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 2 of the report, now to be numbered Section 3, the Bishop of North Carolina moved to strike out the former part to the words “ the Diocesan thereof ” inclusive, and to substitute the following :

In case a new Diocese shall be erected out of part of the jurisdiction of an existing Diocese, the Bishop of such existing Diocese may choose the Diocese to which he will be attached, and shall be the Diocesan thereof ;

which was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 2 as amended, now to be numbered Section 3, it was approved.

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont, the action of the House on Section 2 of the report was reconsidered.

The Bishop of Vermont moved to substitute for Section 2 of the report, as amended, the following :

In case a new Diocese or Dioceses shall be erected out of part of the jurisdiction of an existing Diocese, the Bishop of such existing Diocese may choose the Diocese to which he will be attached, and shall be the Diocesan thereof ; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may become the Diocesan of the other Diocese, or, if there be more than one other, of that other which he shall choose ;

which was approved.

The question recurring on the approval of Section 2 of the report, as thus amended, the Bishop of East Carolina moved to restore the section as reported by the Joint Commission ; which was not approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 2 as amended, now to be numbered Section 3, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 3, now to be numbered Section 4, it was approved.

A motion was made to insert as Section 5 the following :

Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese. And whenever a Diocese is formed and erected out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of

that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese;

which was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 4 of the report, now to be numbered Section 6, the Bishop of Maryland moved to insert after the words "shall be" the words "considered as"; which was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 4, as amended, now to be numbered Section 6, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section 5 of the report, now to be numbered Section 7, it was approved.

The question being on the approval of VII., as amended, the Bishop of Maryland moved to amend Section 1 by inserting the words "with the consent of the General Synod, and of the Provincial Synod, first had and obtained"; which was approved.

The Bishop of Georgia moved further to amend Section 1, by substituting "six" for "ten" in the seventh and the eighth lines, and substituting "twelve" for "fifteen" in the thirteenth and the fourteenth lines; which was not approved.

The Bishop of West Virginia moved to amend the last section by striking out the first proviso and the word "further" in the seventh line; which was approved.

The question recurring on the approval of VII. as amended, it was approved.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Strike out Article V. of the Constitution, and insert the following as VII. of the Constitutions:

VII.

SECTION 1. The Church in any State or Territory of the United States or any part of the same not now represented may at any time hereafter be admitted into union on acceding to the Constitutions, with the consent of the General Synod and of the Provincial Synod first had and obtained; it being a prerequisite condition thereto that suitable and satisfactory provision be made for the support of the Episcopate, and that there be at least six duly organized congregations or parishes and at least six presbyters who have been for one year canonically resident and for

that period holding cure of souls within the bounds of such proposed Diocese.

SEC. 2. A new Diocese may be formed and erected, with the consent of the General Synod and of the Provincial Synod first had and obtained, out of an existing Diocese or by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses; but such consent shall not be given unless the proposed Diocese contain at the time the consent is given at least ten duly organized and self-supporting congregations and ten presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident and for the same period holding a cure within the bounds of such proposed Diocese and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such consent be given if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain at the said time less than fifteen such duly organized and self-supporting congregations and fifteen presbyters residing therein and qualified as above mentioned, nor without the approval of the Bishop or Bishops and of the Convention or Conventions concerned, nor until the General Synod has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate.

SEC. 3. In case a new Diocese or Dioceses shall be erected out of part of the Jurisdiction of an existing Diocese, the Bishop of such existing Diocese may choose the Diocese to which he will be attached, and shall be the Diocesan thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may become the Diocesan of the other Diocese, or, if there be more than one other, of that other which he shall choose.

SEC. 4. In case a Diocese shall be formed out of parts of two or more Dioceses, each of the Bishops and Bishops Coadjutor of the several Dioceses out of which the new Diocese has been formed shall be entitled in the order of seniority of consecration to the choice between his own Diocese and the new Diocese so formed. In default of such choice the new Diocese shall have the right to choose its own Bishop.

SEC. 5. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese; and whenever a Diocese is formed and erected out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

SEC. 6. Any new Diocese shall be considered as admitted into union with the General Synod on its acceding to this Constitution, under such conditions as may be determined by the Synod.

SEC. 7. The General Synod may accept the cession of a part of the territory of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of a Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory and also the same proportion in the remaining territory shall consent thereto; *Provided*, that such action of the General Synod shall be by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops present and voting, and two-thirds of the House of Deputies voting by orders;

which was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 39.]

The Bishop of Quincy moved the approval of VIII.

On motion, the Order of the Day was suspended.

The Bishop of Western New York, from the Committee on the

Prayer Book, presented its Report No. 1, recommending that this House concur with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 13 from that House, providing for making a change in the place of the Golden Numbers in the Calendar on the first day of January in the year 1900. [See p. 50.]

On motion, unanimously by a rising vote, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 13 from the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 34.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 133 of the Digest]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 26.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 4, § iii., be amended so as to read as follows:

§ iii. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses, the Convention of such Diocese shall declare which portion thereof is to be the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the General Convention, and shall certify that a majority of the Parishes and organized Missions of the proposed new Diocese, and the same proportion in the remaining territory, has given consent to the proposed division before the ratification of such division.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in Message No. 26 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 89.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 32 of the Digest]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 27.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 6, § x., be amended so as to read as follows:

§ x. Satisfaction given in any of these examinations shall in every case be certified to the Bishop in writing (or to the clerical members of the Standing Committee, as the case may be), with the signatures of all the Examiners, and in the following form, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of (or, the Clerical
members of the Standing Committee of as the case
may be).

Place,

Date,

We, the undersigned, Examining Chaplains (or Presbyters, as the case may be) of the Diocese (or Missionary Jurisdiction) of having been appointed Examiners of A. B., a Candidate for Priest's Orders, hereby certify that we have examined the said A. B. upon the subjects prescribed in Title I., Canon 6, and, in accordance with what we believe to be the will of the Church, as set forth in her Ordinal and Canons, and sensible of our responsibility for the evil which might come upon the Church through the admission of men insufficiently prepared for their work, we do give our judgment, as follows: (Here specify the proficiency of the Candidate on each of the subjects prescribed.)

(Signed)

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in Message No. 26 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 88.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 28.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the full report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons be submitted to the Convention at ten o'clock on Monday morning next.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House does not concur in the resolution contained in Message No. 28 from the House of Deputies, for the reason that this House is making satisfactory progress in the consideration of the report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 35.]

The Bishop of Nebraska offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Memorial of the Diocese of North Carolina for the erection of a Missionary Jurisdiction within the boundaries of said Diocese, be recalled from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions;

which was adopted. [See pp. 21, 102.]

The Bishop of Pittsburgh offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the members of this House, having enjoyed the abounding hospitality and thoughtful kindness of many of the citizens

of St. Paul, desire to express their grateful sense of the cordial reception given the Bishops and others yesterday, and to return their thanks for the same;

which was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the election of the Church University Board of Regents was postponed until after the Order of the Day this afternoon. [See p. 73.]

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The Bishop of Delaware presented a communication from the Rt. Rev. Dr. C. Clifton Penick; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 89.]

The Order of the Day was resumed; and, the question being on the approval of VIII. of the Constitutions, the Bishop of Delaware moved to substitute the word "Priests" in place of "Presbyters"; which was approved.

The question being on the approval of VIII., as amended, it was approved.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Strike out Article VII. of the Constitution, and insert the following as VIII. of the Constitutions:

VIII.

No one shall be ordered Priest or Deacon until he shall have been examined by the Bishop and by two Priests, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon, unless he shall at the time subscribe and make, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

No one ordered by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church until he shall have subscribed and made the aforesaid declaration;

which was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 36.]

The question being on the approval of IX., it was approved.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

Strike out Article VIII. of the Constitution, and insert the following as IX. of the Constitutions :

IX.

The Book of Common Prayer, and Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter, or Psalms of David, the Form and Manner of making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, the Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be the use in all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church. No alteration thereof, or addition thereto, shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Synod, and, by a resolve thereof, sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Synod at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies; the vote of each Diocese in this case being determined by the concurrence of the vote of both Orders in that Diocese.

Provided, however, that the General Synod shall have power at any meeting to amend the Tables of Lessons, by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the whole number of Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies ;

which was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 37.]

The question being on the approval of X., it was approved.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

Strike out Article IX. of the Constitution, and insert the following as X. of the Constitutions :

X.

No alteration or amendment of these Constitutions shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Synod, and by a resolve thereof sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Synod at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and

by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies; the vote of each Diocese in this case being determined by the concurrence of the vote of both Orders in that Diocese;

which was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 38.]

The Bishop of Quincy presented the Declaration prefixed to the proposed revision of the Constitution and Canons; which, on motion of the Bishop of Quincy, was laid on the table.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Right Reverend C. Clifton Penick, D.D., sometime Bishop of Cape Palmas, be invited to a seat in this House during the remaining sessions of this Convention;

which was unanimously adopted.

Bishop Penick was thereupon introduced to the House by the Bishop of New York and welcomed by the Chairman.

The Bishop of Maryland, in behalf of the Bishop of Long Island, presented the following report [see p. 63]:

The Committee of Conference, to which were referred the resolutions consenting to the organization and admission of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan as a Diocese, respectfully report that they have had the subject under consideration and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do recede from their action in the matter, and concur with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution communicated in its Message No. 12.

For the Committee,

A. N. LITTLEJOHN.

C. A. L. RICHARDS.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 40.]

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day [see p. 61], being the question of the election of a Missionary Bishop of Kyoto, Japan; and the question being on the adoption of the resolution offered by the Bishop of Maine as a substitute for the third resolution contained in the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, to wit:

Resolved, That a new Missionary District be erected in the islands of Japan, to be called the Missionary District of Kyoto, and that this House proceed to nominate to the House of Deputies a Presbyter for election as Bishop of the said Missionary District;

it was adopted.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House proceed to receive nominations for the Missionary Bishopric of Kyoto;

which was adopted.

On motion, the business before the House was made the Order of the Day for Monday at 3 : 30 o'clock. [See p. 86.]

The Bishop of New York, from the Committee on disagreeing action of the two Houses as to the place of meeting of the next General Convention [see pp. 58, 64], presented the report of the Committee, recommending the passage of the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the next triennial meeting of the General Convention be held in the city of Washington.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee of Conference was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 33. See p. 79.]

The House proceeded, according to its order [see p. 41], to elect, the House of Deputies concurring, the Church University Board of Regents ; and the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix, the Rev. Dr. David H. Greer, the Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington, the Rev. Dr. Eliphalet N. Potter, Professor Henry Drisler, Professor James M. Garnett, Mr. George W. Vanderbilt, Mr. Spencer Trask, and Mr. Silas McBee having been nominated, the Assistant Secretary was, on motion, instructed to cast a ballot for them ; which being done, the Chairman declared that, the House of Deputies concurring, they had been elected the Church University Board of Regents. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 41. See p. 132.]

The Bishop of Georgia offered the following resolution [see p. 69] :

Resolved, That the action of the House non-concurring in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 28 from the House of Deputies be reconsidered ;

which was not adopted.

A motion that this House ask for the return of its Message informing the House of Deputies of the non-concurrence of this House in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 28 from the House of Deputies, was not adopted.

The Bishop of Northern Texas, from a Joint Special Committee [see p. 56], presented the following report :

The Joint Committee, to which was referred the List of Ordinations from 1885 to 1895, prepared by the Rev. Dr. Herman C. Duncan, begs leave respectfully to report:

That such a List, if properly authenticated, is both desirable and necessary; that the work of Dr. Duncan has been most careful and laborious, and is worthy of recognition on the part of this House.

Your Committee, therefore, recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring,

(1) That the List of Ordinations herewith submitted be printed as an Appendix to the Journal;

(2) That permission be given to print extra copies of the List for sale;

(3) That the Rev. Dr. Herman C. Duncan be appointed an Officer of this Convention, as Recorder of Ordinations, to continue the List thus begun, which may be printed from time to time as may be directed by the Convention;

(4) That the Recorder of Ordinations be required to keep a List of the Clergy in regular standing corrected to the first day of October in each year, and that he be required to furnish a certified copy to the Almanacs.

ALEX. C. GARRETT.

GEO. D. GILLESPIE.

JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, JR.

THEODORE BABCOCK.

HENRY D. AVES.

CARL E. GRAMMER.

On motion, the fourfold resolution contained in the Report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 43. See p. 85.]

The Bishop of Maine, from the Committee on Memorials and Petitions, presented the following report [see pp. 15, 18, 26, 55]:

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on Memorials and Petitions respectfully reports, that there have been referred to it several Memorials and Petitions, as follows:

First, in point of time and importance, a Petition of the Rev. T. E. Bacon, of the Diocese of Maryland, presented through the Bishop of that Diocese, covering the vitally important matter of the integrity and dignity of the Holy Scriptures, and calling attention to the rapidly growing flippancy and irreverence in the popular mind, in the reckless criticisms now freely hurled at the Word of God, even from within the Church. But as Mr. Bacon's righteous complaints have been so fully treated in the Pastoral of the Council of Bishops lately issued, this Committee, while thanking Mr. Bacon for calling attention to this gross evil, does not consider that any further action is now needed.

Second: A valuable Petition on the subject of Vivisection and its many consequent evils, drawn up by a devoted and loyal Churchwoman, fortified by a considerable number of printed documents, in the way of demonstration and proof, notably sermons calling attention to this scientific vice by the Bishop of Manchester in England, by Canon Wilberforce, and an appeal by our own Bishop of Springfield. We recommend that this Petition be placed in the hands of the Committee on the coming Pastoral.

Third: A Memorial from the Church Unity Society of this Church,

signed by the Bishop of Delaware as President, asking the devotional attention of this Church in some corporate intercession each Whitsuntide to Almighty God, that He soon restore to us some larger tokens of the unshaken Unity of His Church. We respectfully beg to refer this Memorial also to the Committee on the Pastoral, asking their thoughtful consideration of its plea.

Fourth: A Petition from the Rev. Dr. Brand, an aged Presbyter of the Diocese of Maryland, calling attention to a dangerous and unauthorized mode of communicating the sick with the elements of Bread and Wine. There is no doubt this is an important matter, and one eminently deserving our attention. But as the Prayer Book so clearly and dogmatically prescribes the mode, and the only mode, in which these elements are to be communicated to the sick and dying, and as the evil complained of is clearly quite within the compass of any Bishop's control and godly admonition, your Committee do not feel the necessity of any special action by this House.

Fifth: A peculiar and not interesting petition, on "Theosophy and Esoteric Christianity" — whatever that may mean — from a resident of St. Paul, Minnesota, representing this study as a crying need of the day and a certain cure of all this world's many evils. Inasmuch as this Church is always endeavoring to do her duty to the people in teaching them of the Divine Wisdom of God, and inasmuch as this Church is not backward in her teachings as to the vital importance of true esoteric, or subjective, Christianity, your Committee are not impressed with any sense of the importance of this Petition.

Sixth: The Memorial from the Conference of Church-workers for Colored People, lately held in Washington, in the past month and read to this House — a most important and interesting paper. The Committee recommend that this paper be referred for definite action to the Standing Committee of the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions on Church Work amongst the Colored People, who can wisely and intelligently act upon its requests.

H. A. NEELY, *Chairman*.
JOHN F. SPALDING.
I. L. NICHOLSON.
LEMUEL H. WELLS.
WILLIAM M. BARKER.

On motion, the petitions which the Committee recommended to be referred to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter, was referred to that Committee.

On motion, the petition which the Committee recommended to be referred to the Standing Committee of the Board of Managers on Church Work amongst Colored People, was so referred.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, from the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following report [see p. 56]:

REPORT NO. 4.

The Committee on Domestic Missions, to which was referred a resolution as to the wisdom and propriety of adding to the title of the Missionary District of Oklahoma the further words, "and the Indian Territory," recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That hereafter the Title of the Missionary Bishop of Oklahoma be "The Missionary Bishop of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory."

The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, the Bishop of Colorado moved to amend by substituting for the proposed title "The Bishop of Oklahoma with Jurisdiction in the Indian Territory"; which was not adopted.

The question recurring on the resolution, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 42.]

The Bishop of Georgia, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully reports, That upon examination of the Journal, it appears that the following Committees should be heard from at this Convention:

(1) Commission on the Revision of the Course of Theological Study (appointed 1856; reappointed 1868).

(2) Commission on Moravian Orders (1880).

(3) Committee to confer with the English Church as to a Board of Reference on Foreign Missions of the Anglican Communion (1880).

(4) Committee on notifying Bishops-nominate of their election (1880).

(5) Committee on a Canon for the Governance of Brotherhoods, Mission Priests, and Sisterhoods (1889).

(6) Committee on German Prayer Book (1889).

(7) Commission on Ecclesiastical Vestments.

Reports are also due from the Committee on Canon upon suggested amendments to Title I., Canon 16, § xv., for the Resignation of a Bishop at the age of sixty-five. (See Journal, p. 79.)

Also from the Commission on Hymnal and Commission on the uniform pointing of the Canticles and Psalter.

By the joint action of the two Houses, the Canons of Marriage and Divorce are referred to this Convention.

Your Committee submits to the House the propriety and importance of discharging a number of the Committees printed in the Journal, many of which have failed to report in many years, and respectfully recommends:

First, That the Committee on notifying Bishops-nominate be discharged; this Committee being, as a rule, appointed from Convention to Convention.

Second, That the Committees herein referred to be called upon for a report, and be continued or discharged as the House may determine.

Third, That vacancies which have occurred by death or other cause be promptly filled.

Your Committee offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That this report be referred to the Committee on Despatch of Business, in order that the subjects referred to may be promptly presented to this House for its action.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. N. GILBERT.

E. R. ATWILL.

C. K. NELSON.

On motion, the foregoing report was referred to the Committee on Despatch of Business. [See p. 103.]

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That when this House adjourn it adjourn till Monday morning at 9 o'clock ;

which was adopted.

On motion, it was voted that the House do now adjourn.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

TENTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 14, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of South Carolina, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of Friday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Northern Texas presented a Memorial, asking for consent to organize a Diocese having the boundaries of the Missionary District of Northern Texas ; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [See p. 102.]

The Bishop of Kentucky offered the following minute ;

The House of Bishops would place upon its record a memorial of the supreme satisfaction and the joyful encouragement its members have received from their visit, in company with the members of the House of Deputies, to Faribault, on Saturday last, the 12th instant. Astonishment slowly gave way to thankfulness, as they beheld what God hath wrought by one man in one short life. By the labors of Breck and his companions in preparation, and of Whipple in continuance and completion, the wilderness He hath made to blossom as the rose, and a desert place to be filled with them that praise His Name. "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy Name give the praise."

The House of Bishops rejoices with the venerable Bishop of Minnesota, its senior Bishop present, that he has been permitted to build to the honor of our Lord God such enduring monuments.

The House of Bishops rejoices with the Bishop of Minnesota upon the manifestation, plain and unmistakable, given them last Saturday, that he has indeed maintained and set forward love and peace among all his neighbors.

They would express to Mr. Roswell Miller, president of the railroad, their most cordial thanks for his most splendid courtesy in providing a train for their transportation to Faribault ; and to the Christian people of that city for their bounteous and beautiful hospitality, all which, as they believe, is the assurance of the love they bear to the Bishop of Minnesota.

The House of Bishops rejoices with the Bishop of Minnesota, that the burden he has carried so long and so bravely is now rolled down upon

shoulders worthy to bear it; that he is blessed in the love and loyal filial devotion of a coadjutor whose praise is already in all the churches.

The House of Bishops rejoices with the Bishop of Minnesota in the splendid crowning of a long life of unselfish devotion, even that all, "apostles, elders, and brethren," have been gathered about the hearthstone where he kindled the fire a lifetime ago; that in his own home he has heard from the assembled Church, as an earnest of the commendation of the Master, the plaudit, "Well done, good and faithful servant";

which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 54, 111]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 29.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in Message No. 25 from the House of Bishops, proposing appointment of Joint Committee to nominate Missionary Council and Board of Managers of the Board of Missions;

And the House of Deputies has appointed as members of such Joint Committee, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Henshaw of Rhode Island, the Rev. Dr. Christian of Newark, the Rev. Dr. Blanchard of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Bancroft of Western Michigan, Mr. Stark of Connecticut, Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania, Mr. Brown of Rhode Island, Mr. Bryan of Virginia, and Mr. Schenck of Long Island.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 58, 59]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 30.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 30 from the House of Bishops, proposing Joint Committee to arrange an order of business for the next Missionary Council;

And the House of Deputies has appointed as members of such Joint Committee, on its part, the Rev. Mr. Brewster of Long Island, the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, Mr. Brown of Rhode Island, and Mr. Stark of Connecticut.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 31.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed the Rev. Samuel Hart, D.D., a member of the Commission on Church Archives, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Rev. Frederic Gibson, D.D.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 73] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 32.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs in Message No. 33 from the House of Bishops, proposing Washington, District of Columbia, as the place of meeting for the next triennial session of the General Convention.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 59, 118] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 33.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it consents to the request of the House of Bishops, communicated in its Message No. 32, for a Committee of Conference on the proposal of the House of Deputies concerning the preparation of an Index for Journal and Digest, etc.; and the House of Deputies appoints as members of such Committee of Conference, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Anstice of Western New York and Mr. Conover of New Jersey.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented as its Report No. 2, with reference to the resolution introduced by the Bishop of Iowa on the fifth day of the session [see p. 27], the following resolutions] :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the title-page prefixed to the Book of Common Prayer, and that the proposed change be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 8 of the Constitution, as follows:

That these words on the said title-page prefixed to the Book of Common Prayer be omitted, to wit: "According to the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David," and that the words "According to the American Use" be added, so that the said title-page shall read: "The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, according to the American Use."

The question being on the resolution recommended by the Committee, it was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 44. See p. 107.]

The Bishop of Central Pennsylvania offered a resolution that the action of the House on this resolution be reconsidered; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Quincy, from the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, presented the following report, submitting a copy of the proposed revision of the Canons, with the exception stated [see Appendix XVI. and p. 105] :

The Joint Commission upon the Revision of the Constitution and Canons respectfully submit a report of a body of Canons almost completed, comprising those which appear in the document printed and circulated among the Bishops and Deputies, from page 17 to page 85, with some amendments. They retain for further deliberation and report Canon 35, "On Marriage and Divorce." The Constitutions, as proposed in accordance with X., seem to require further amendments in the Canons. The Commission will offer their final report at the earliest possible time.

By order of the Commission,

ALEX. BURGESS, *Vice-Chairman.*

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 19] :

REPORT No. 3.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution presented by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, proposing a substitute for the Canon "Of Lay Readers" (p. 46 of the Digest), respectfully report that in their judgment the legislation proposed is inexpedient at this time, as the subject-matter thereof is considered in the report of the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons now before both Houses of this General Convention. The Committee therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of this proposed substitute for the Canon of Lay Readers.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman.*

Attest :

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary.*

On motion, the Committee on Canons was discharged from the further consideration of the proposed substitute for the Canon of Lay Readers.

The Bishop of Maine, from the Commission on Pointing the Canticles and Psalter, presented the following report :

The Commission who were authorized by the last General Convention to set forth a Pointing of the Canticles of the Church for the musical rendering of the same in public worship, and who were also directed to submit at this Convention a scheme of Pointing for the whole Psalter, beg leave to present the following report :

1. Within a few months after this duty had been assigned them, they had agreed upon a Pointing for the Canticles, and, in accordance with the instructions given them, had caused to be printed in all authorized editions of the new Hymnal the Canticles as so pointed for chanting. It is believed that their work in that particular has been generally approved; and all publishers of musical editions of the Hymnal having now adopted it, the chief end proposed in the appointment of your Commission will soon be attained, viz. : uniformity throughout the Church in the musical reading of the Canticles, and a consequent facility of render-

ing ascriptions of praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, without confusion, by all in the great congregation who have a mind and voice to sing.

2. Your Commission have also devoted much time and labor to the perfecting of a scheme of pointing for the entire Psalter, and submit herewith a Psalter as pointed by them. They would express the hope that as it has the unanimous approval of the Commission, it may also have the approval and endorsement of the Church as represented in this Convention.

They are aware that such approval and endorsement must be based chiefly upon a confidence in the competency of the Commission and upon an assurance that they have given sufficient attention and care to their work; for it would be quite impracticable for this Convention to enter upon any prolonged consideration of such a matter.

With respect to the competency of the Commission, the general satisfaction given by their work upon the Canticles may perhaps afford sufficient evidence; and with regard to the degree of care and diligence bestowed upon this later work, your Commission beg to say that they have spared no pains to make the result satisfactory to all who approve of the principle by which, chiefly, they have been guided in the construction of their general scheme of Pointing.

That principle or postulant is that the Pointing of the Psalms for musical use in public worship should be, *first of all*, such as to fulfil the requirements of correct and intelligent reading. The construction of the ordinary chant to which the Pointing must be adapted does not admit of a strict adherence to this rule in all cases, but it should be studiously adhered to so far as practicable. In the prosecution of their work, according to this principle, your Commission have had constantly before them and have constantly consulted the best and most widely used of the English pointed Psalters; and their own Pointing has, in every verse of the whole Psalter, the authority of at least a majority of the editors thus consulted. This last statement will, we trust, give such further and sufficient assurance of the value of the work of your Commission as to warrant the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Pointing of the Psalter presented by the Commission, when all imperfections so far as possible are removed, be set forth as the authorized Pointing for use in this Church.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a copy of the pointed Canticles and Psalter, duly certified by the Chairman and Secretary of the Commission, be placed in the hands of the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book, who may give permission to any publisher to issue it with or without music; but all copies thus published shall contain the authorization of the Custodian, certifying that he, or some person appointed by him, has compared the said copy or edition with the said certified copy, and that it conforms thereto.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission be continued and empowered to carry out the foregoing resolutions.

H. A. NEELY, *Chairman*.

CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD.

C. K. NELSON.

J. S. B. HODGES.

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS.

GEORGE S. BENNITT.

GEORGE WILLIAM WARREN,

Organist St. Thomas's Church, New York.

G. EDWARD STUBBS,

Organist St. Agnes's Chapel, New York.

MINTON PYNE.

Organist St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the report of the Commission were severally adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 45. See p. 98.]

On motion, the Bishop of Mississippi was excused from further attendance at the present session of this House, with an expression of the sympathy of his brethren in view of the bereavement which calls him away.

The Bishop of Fond du Lac offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be provided in the Standing Orders of this House that, until otherwise ordered by Constitution or Canon, the title of the Presiding Bishop be the Primate ;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order. [See p. 104.]

The Bishop of Iowa, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 59] :

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on Rules of Order, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Pittsburgh, proposing a change in the Rules of Order, respectfully recommends the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following be adopted in place of the present Rule of Order No. XVII. :

XVII. Messages from the House of Deputies, when presented by the Secretary of that House, shall be received by the House of Bishops, and shall be given to the Secretary, who shall place them in the hands of the President, who shall present them to the House either directly or at the earliest interval of debate or business.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY.

ELLISON CAPERS.

FRANK K. MILLSPAUGH.

[See p. 90.]

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, being the consideration of the resolutions contained in report No. 3 of the Committee on Domestic Missions [see p. 60], with reference to the erection of a Missionary District within the limits of the Diocese of Minnesota.

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, from the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following resolutions as a substitute for those contained in its Report No. 3 [see p. 60] :

The Committee on Diocesan Missions, to which was referred the Petition of the Diocese of Minnesota, praying leave to cede to the General Convention a part of its territorial jurisdiction, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report that they recommend the adoption of the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, The Diocese of Minnesota, by deliberate action of the Bishops and Convention thereof, has, for urgent and sufficient reason, declared its desire to establish its northern limits on the south line of the counties of Big Stone, Stevens, Pope, Stearns, Benton, Mille Lacs, Kanabec, and Pine; and

WHEREAS, This House is sufficiently advised of the consent of the parishes lying on either side of that line, and said Diocese has tendered to this General Convention a cession of that part of its jurisdiction north of that line; and

WHEREAS, Doubts are entertained by many of the power under our Constitution permanently to alter the territorial extent of a Diocese in this form, yet impressed with the great necessities of the Church in that Diocese, and of the justice of her claims to prompt relief, and following repeated precedents in like cases; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the limitation of the jurisdiction of the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese of Minnesota within the limits above indicated, until such constitutional amendment and legislation thereunder can be secured as are necessary to remove the doubts aforesaid, and that in the meantime the territory north of the limits aforesaid, within the State of Minnesota, be held and treated as missionary territory and subject to missionary jurisdiction.

All which is respectfully submitted.

B. W. MORRIS, *Chairman*.

On motion, the preamble and resolution contained in the report of the Committee, as modified and just presented, were adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 46. See p. 112.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 63, 74, 75, 76, of the Digest]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 10th day of the Session,
October 14, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 34.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § v., be amended so as to read as follows:

§ v. When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of old age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, or by reason of the extent of his Diocese, to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Bishop Coadjutor may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall, in all cases, succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him: *Provided*, that before the election of a Bishop Coadjutor for the reason of extent of Diocese, the consent of the General Convention, or, during the recess thereof, the consent of a majority of the Bishops and of the several Standing Committees, must be had and obtained. Prior to any election of a Bishop Coadjutor the Bishop of the Diocese shall consent in writing to such election, and in

such consent he shall state the duties which he thereby assigns to the Bishop Coadjutor when duly elected and consecrated. And in case of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue the aforesaid consent to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee of the Diocese may request the Convention to issue such letter of consent. And the request of the said Standing Committee, shall be accompanied by medical certificates of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue such written consent. No person shall be elected or consecrated a Suffragan Bishop, nor shall there be more than one Bishop Coadjutor in a Diocese at the same time.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xii., be amended so as to read as follows :

§ xii. It shall be lawful for any Bishop of a Diocese who is about to leave, or has left, his Diocese, with the intention of going out of the limits of the United States, or if remaining out of his Diocese for the space of three calendar months, although without leaving the United States, to authorize, by writing under his hand and seal, the Bishop Coadjutor or, should there be none, the Standing Committee of such Diocese, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof. The Bishop Coadjutor or Standing Committee so authorized shall thereupon become the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Diocese, to all intents and purposes, until such writing shall be revoked, or the Bishop shall return within the Diocese: *Provided*, that nothing in this Canon shall be so construed as to prevent any Bishop who may have signed such writing from exercising his jurisdiction himself, so far as the same may be practicable, during his absence from his Diocese, or from permitting and authorizing any other Bishop to perform Episcopal offices for him.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xiv. [1], be amended so as to read as follows :

§ xiv. [1.] Any Bishop, Bishop Coadjutor, or Missionary Bishop may, on the invitation of the Convention or the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, or where the Bishop is for the time under a disability to perform Episcopal offices by reason of a judicial sentence, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof; and this invitation may be temporary, and it may at any time be revoked.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xiv. [2], be amended so as to read as follows :

[2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or having the Bishop disabled: until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop may be duly elected and consecrated for the same; and, in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed; or until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xv. [4], be amended so as to read as follows :

[4.] No Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor, whose resignation has been consummated pursuant to this section, shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical jurisdiction, within the limits of his Diocese. Any Bishop whose resignation by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom has been consum-

mated pursuant to this Section shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolutions contained in Message No. 34 from the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 47.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 10th day of the Session,
October 14, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 35.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention of 1895 adjourn without day, on Tuesday, Oct. 22; the hour for the closing service and the reading of the Pastoral Letter being three o'clock of the afternoon of the same day.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in Message No. 35 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on Despatch of Business. [See p. 89.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 74]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 10th day of the Session,
October 14, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 36.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 43 from the House of Bishops concerning the Rev. Dr. Duncan's List of Ordinations, etc.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Maine offered the following resolution:

In view of the action of the Convention of 1892, found on p. 245 of the Journal;

Resolved, That at the hour of noon of Thursday of this week, the two Houses of the Convention do sit together to receive the report of the Committees on Christian Education, and of the Church University Board of Regents, and to consider the subject of Christian Education.

The Bishop of Maryland moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "the two Houses of the Convention do sit together," and substituting the words "the House of Bishops will take a recess in order that, the House of Deputies concurring, the members of the House of Bishops may meet with the members of the House of Deputies"; which amendment was adopted.

The question being on the resolution as amended, it was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 48. See p. 99.]

The Chairman presented the report of the Registrar of the General Convention. [See Appendix VII.]

The Chairman presented a Memorial from the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of Trinity Church, Tacoma, Washington; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 158.]

The Chairman presented a Memorial from the Rev. Wm. F. Gardner of Dorsey, Md.; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 158.]

The Bishop of Central Pennsylvania moved that the Order of the Day be postponed till to-morrow at 12 o'clock noon; which was not adopted.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day [see p. 73]; and, the roll of the Bishops being called, nominations were received for a Presbyter to be nominated for election as Bishop for the Missionary District of Kyoto; which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops. [See p. 108.]

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Nebraska to fill the vacancy in said Committee caused by the absence of the Bishop of Mississippi.

The Bishop of Central Pennsylvania offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops proceed to nominate to the House of Deputies a Presbyter to be elected a Bishop of the Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in the Territory of Alaska, and to be entitled the Missionary Bishop of Alaska.

The Bishop of Maine moved, as an amendment, to substitute the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Right Reverend the Bishop of Selkirk be requested to perform such Episcopal acts as may be required in our missions on the Yukon River and at Point Hope during the next three years, some proper compensation being proffered to him for such service.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House continue its session to-day till six o'clock, and that a vote on the resolutions offered by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Maine be taken in fifteen minutes; which was adopted.

The Bishop of The Platte moved, as an amendment to the amendment, to substitute the following :

Resolved, That the Missionary District of Alaska be placed for the present under the charge of the Bishop of Olympia, and that his title be the Bishop of Olympia and Alaska ;

which was adopted.

The question being on the original resolution, as amended by this substitute, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 49. See p. 94.]

On motion, it was voted that the House do now adjourn.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY.

TUESDAY, October 15, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Western New York offered the following resolution [see p. 120 of the Digest] :

Resolved, That in Title II., Canon 13, § 2, the words "but this Canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery, or to parties once divorced seeking to be united again," be stricken out ;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 102.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 55] :

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred the resolution of the Bishop of Chicago to consider whether any additional legislation is needed in order to provide for the admission of a Missionary Jurisdiction into union with the Convention as a Diocese, recommends the passage of the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

In the ninth line of Article 5 strike out the words "any other Diocese" and insert the words "any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts or parts of Districts, or any existing Diocese"; and in the twelfth line insert after the word "concerned" the words "and, in the case of a Missionary District or Districts, of the Bishop and the Convocation of each," so that it shall read as follows:

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts or parts of Districts, or any existing Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses or Districts, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention, and, in the case of a Missionary District or Districts, of the Bishop and Convocation of each.

For the Committee,

O. W. WHITAKER, *Chairman.*

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 56. See p. 127.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 64]:

REPORT NO. 4.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the resolution contained in Message No. 24, proposing a change in Title III., Canon 7, § i. (p. 139 of the Digest), respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, That this House concur in the resolution contained in Message No. 24 from the House of Deputies, proposing a change in Title III., Canon 7, § 1.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman.*

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary.*

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 50.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 68]:

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the resolution contained in Message No. 27 from the House of Deputies, proposing the correction of a numerical error in Title I., Canon 6, § x. (p. 33 of the Digest), recommends the passage of the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Deputies in the resolution contained in their Message No. 27, proposing an amendment in Title I., Canon 6, § x.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman.*

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary.*

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 52.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 70]:

REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a communication from the Right Rev. Dr. C. C. Penick, respecting his canonical status in the Diocese where he may chance to reside, respectfully reports the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, That the Right Rev. Dr. Penick be advised that the canonical provisions regulating the ministers of this Church are, in the judgment of this House, sufficient to meet the case of a resigned Bishop.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 68]:

REPORT No. 7.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the resolution contained in Message No. 26 from the House of Deputies, respectfully report that they recommend the passage of the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, That this House does not concur in Message No. 26 from the House of Deputies, proposing a change in Title III., Canon 4, § iii. (page 133 of the Digest), because in its judgment such legislation would practically vest the power of defeating the division of a Diocese in a minority.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 53.]

The Bishop of California, from the Committee on Despatch of Business, presented the following report [see p. 85]:

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Despatch of Business, to which was referred the resolution contained in Message No. 35 from the House of Deputies, touching the day of adjournment of the General Convention and the hour of reading the Pastoral Letter, beg leave to report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That this House concur in the resolution contained in Message No. 35 from the House of Deputies, appointing Tuesday, the

22d instant, as the day of the adjournment of the General Convention, the closing service to be held and the Pastoral Letter to be read at three o'clock in the afternoon.

WILLIAM F. NICHOLS.
G. H. KINSOLVING.
WM. CRANE GRAY.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 51.]

On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of Report No. 5 from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented at yesterday's session. [See p. 82.]

The question being on the adoption of the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was not adopted.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 52]:

REPORT NO. 7.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Olympia asking for an interpretation of Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [5] [p. 66 of the Digest], respectfully reports that, in its judgment, the words of paragraph [5], to wit, "so far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction," are a sufficient answer in the affirmative to the said inquiry, and respectfully asks to be discharged from further consideration of the question.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the Committee was discharged from further consideration of the question.

On motion of the Bishop of Maryland, the proposed amendment to the Constitution, providing for the erection of a Missionary District by cession of part of a Diocese [see Journals, 1889, p. 103; 1892, p. 17], was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 128.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield, from the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, presented the report of the Commission [see Appendix X.], and offered the resolutions appended to the report, as follows:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations be continued.

Resolved, That the following be members of the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations on the part of the House of Bishops: the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of Iowa, the Bishop of Springfield, the

Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Fond du Lac, the Bishop of Michigan, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the report of the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations be printed in the Appendix to the Journal.

On motion, the resolutions appended to the report of the Committee were severally adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 54. See p. 106.]

The Bishop of Nebraska, from the Joint Committee to nominate fifteen Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society, offered the following resolution [see p. 63] :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following named persons be elected Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society :

The Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Hart of Connecticut (*ex officio*), the Rev. Dr. Langford of New York, the Rev. Dr. Lawrence of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Perry of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, Mr. J. P. Morgan of New York, Mr. F. W. Hunnewell of Massachusetts, Mr. J. S. Biddle of Pennsylvania, Mr. Joseph Wilmer of Virginia, and Mr. R. I. Goddard of Rhode Island ;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 55. See p. 106.]

The Bishop of Fond du Lac offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons be appointed, and that all amendments to the Constitution and Canons which shall not have been concurred in be referred to them, with instructions to report to the next General Convention.

On motion, action on the resolution was postponed. [See p. 100.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 31] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 10th day of the Session,
October 14, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 37.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs in the resolution contained in Message No. 9 from the House of Bishops, amended so as to read as follows :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution the following :

CONSTITUTIONS.

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Convention must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdiction and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Convention, or, for its own needs, by the House of Bishops, and shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be removed from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and by not more than four laymen, communicants of this Church and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one order only, such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the General Convention.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House. *Provided*, however, that, if it shall appear that a constitutional quorum of the House has not voted, the Presiding Officer shall declare that there has been no vote of the House; and in such a case the question may be again put to the House when a quorum shall be present.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Convention shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days, nor to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate, chosen by each Missionary District of this Church within the limits of the United States, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in Europe, convened by proper ecclesiastical authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies, except the right to vote.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at such place as shall have been determined on by the Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Convention.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

[See p. 96.]

The Bishop of Western New York presented a Letter from Mr. J. M. Smith, who has been obliged by infirmity to resign his seat as a Deputy from the Diocese of Western New York, asking the privilege of presenting to the House of Bishops (so soon as they shall be disposed to name the edition preferred) a copy of the Standard, to be preserved by the Reverend the Custodian of the Standard Bible; and for the present, he asks permission to offer for the acceptance of the House of Bishops a copy of the Oxford reprint of the Bible of 1611, to be kept in charge of the Custodian, not as a Standard, but only as an aid to the study of any questions that may arise as to original readings or errors in the text of American Bibles used in the public services of the Church.

On motion, the Bishop of Western New York was authorized to accept the proposed gift on behalf of the House, and to place the volume in the hands of the Custodian of the Standard Bible, and also to express the thanks of the House to the kind donor.

The Bishop of Long Island offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee of this House on a Canon for the Governance of Brotherhoods, Mission Priests, and Sisterhoods, be continued;

which was adopted.

Additional nominations were made of Presbyters to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the new Missionary District of Kyoto; which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops. [See p. 108.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, from the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following report see p. 406]:

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Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

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On motion, the Bishop of Western New York was authorized to accept the proposed gift on behalf of the House, and to place the volume in the hands of the Custodian of the Standard Bible, and also to express the thanks of the House to the kind donor.

The Bishop of Long Island offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee of this House on a Canon for the Governance of Brotherhoods, Mission Priests, and Sisterhoods, be continued;

which was adopted.

Additional nominations were made of Presbyters to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the new Missionary District of Kyoto; which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops. [See p. 108.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, from the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following report see p. 406]:

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on Domestic Missions, to which was referred the matter of a redistribution of lines of Missionary Districts, having carefully considered the whole subject, begs leave to report as follows:

While the Committee is fully impressed with the advantage of several changes for the purpose of greater facility of administration, yet owing to certain special difficulties at present, the Committee recommends only the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the counties of El Paso, Reeves, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Foley, Buchel, and Pecos, be and are hereby taken from the Missionary District of Western Texas and added to the Missionary District of New Mexico.

M. N. GILBERT, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of California offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolution contained in the report of the Committee on Domestic Missions be recommitted to the Committee, with instructions to report to this House a resolution looking toward the appointment of a Committee of this House to report, at the next General Convention, what readjustments of the boundaries of our Missionary Jurisdictions, if any, will best further the interests of the Missionary work of the Church;

which was not adopted.

The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 57.]

On motion of the Bishop of New Hampshire, the House reconsidered its action of yesterday [see p. 87] in adopting the resolution offered, as an amendment to pending resolutions, by the Bishop of The Platte, with reference to the Missionary District of Alaska.

The question recurring on the amendment offered by the Bishop of The Platte, on motion of the Bishop of Quincy, the Order of the Day was postponed until after the consideration of the subject of the Missionary District of Alaska.

The hour of noon having arrived, the House was bidden to prayer for Missions by the Chairman.

On motion, the House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The question recurring on the amendment offered by the Bishop of The Platte, the Bishop of Massachusetts moved that a vote on the amendment be taken at half-past three o'clock; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Chicago offered the following resolution as a substitute for the whole matter:

Resolved, That the Missionary District of Alaska be placed for the present under the charge of the Rt. Rev. Dr. C. Clifton Penick;

which was not adopted.

The question recurring on the amendment offered by the Bishop of The Platte, the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Bishops voting in the affirmative were: The Bishops of Maine, Arkansas, New Hampshire, Colorado, Western Michigan, Chicago, Iowa, Quincy, Pittsburgh, Southern Virginia, East Carolina, Maryland, Nebraska, Florida, Easton, Western Texas, Nevada and Utah, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, the Bishops of Fond du Lac, The Platte, Louisiana, Milwaukee, Tokyo, Shanghai, South Carolina, North Carolina, the Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia, the Bishop of Indiana — twenty-eight.

The Bishops voting in the negative were: The Bishops of Minnesota, Missouri, Oregon, Albany, Northern Texas, Kentucky, New Jersey, West Virginia, Springfield, Newark, Montana, New York, North Dakota, Central Pennsylvania, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, the Bishops of Wyoming and Idaho, Delaware, New Mexico and Arizona, Ohio, Michigan, California, West Missouri, Georgia, the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield, the Bishops of Texas, Spokane, Southern Florida, Oklahoma, Olympia, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, the Bishops of Massachusetts, Vermont, Kansas — thirty-three.

The amendment was therefore not adopted.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Maine [see p. 86], it was not adopted.

The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, to wit:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops proceed to nominate to the House of Deputies a Presbyter to be elected a Bishop of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in the Territory of Alaska, and to be entitled the Missionary Bishop of Alaska;

the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Bishops voting in the affirmative were: The Bishops of Minnesota, Western New York, Missouri, Oregon, Long Island, Albany, Pennsylvania, Colorado, Northern Texas, Kentucky, New Jersey, Western Michigan, Quincy, West Virginia, Springfield, Newark, Montana, Pittsburgh, New York, North Dakota, East Carolina, Central Pennsylvania, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, the Bishops of Wyoming and Idaho, Western Texas, Ne-

vada and Utah, Delaware, New Mexico and Arizona, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, the Bishops of Fond du Lac, Ohio, Michigan, The Platte, California, West Missouri, Louisiana, the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield, the Bishops of Texas, Spokane, Southern Florida, Oklahoma, Olympia, Tokyo, Shanghai, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, the Bishops of Massachusetts, Vermont, Indiana, Kansas — forty-nine.

The Bishops voting in the negative were : The Bishops of Maine, Arkansas, New Hampshire, Chicago, Iowa, Southern Virginia, Maryland, Nebraska, Florida, Easton, Milwaukee, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, the Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia — fifteen.

The resolution was therefore adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 58.]

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the making of nominations for a Presbyter to be nominated for election as Bishop for the Missionary District of Alaska was made the Order of the Day for to-morrow morning after the transaction of routine business. [See — p. 105.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

Add to Article 5 of the Constitution the clause following, to wit :

The General Convention may accept a cession of a part of the territorial jurisdiction of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of said Diocese shall propose such cession, and three fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory, and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory, shall consent thereto ;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 128.]

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the resolution contained in Message No. 57 from the House of Deputies [see p. 91] was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

A motion of the Bishop of Colorado, to strike out the word “ removed ” in the last line of Section 4 in said resolution and to insert in its place the word “ relieved,” was referred to the same Committee. [See p. 116.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 38.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a deputation be appointed to attend the next General Synod of the Church of England in Canada ;

And that the House of Deputies appoints as members of said deputation, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Green of Iowa, the Rev. C. F. Sweet of Maine, Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, and Mr. Peter White of Northern Michigan.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 38 from the House of Deputies ; and the Chairman appointed as members of said deputation, on the part of this House, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of Milwaukee. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 59.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 39.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Article II. of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary be amended so as to read :

II. The management of the said Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, who shall have power to constitute Professorships, and appoint the Dean and Professors, and to prescribe the Course of Study in the respective schools, and to make rules and regulations and statutes for the government thereof ; and, generally, to take such measures as they may deem necessary to its prosperity : *Provided*, That such rules and Course of Study and measures be not repugnant to the Constitution and Canons of the Church, nor to the Course of Study for candidates for Orders which is or may be established by the House of Bishops.

The Board shall, from time to time, appoint a Standing Committee from its own number, to superintend and manage all the business and concerns of the Seminary during the recess of the Board, with all the powers of the Board, subject to such limitations as may, by statute or otherwise, be lawfully and rightfully imposed.

The Bishops who are Trustees shall be visitors of the Seminary ; and any three of them acting together may at any time, upon reasonable notice to the Faculty and to the Board of Trustees or Standing Committee, visit the Seminary, and shall see that the course of Instruction and Discipline be conducted agreeably to the foregoing provision ; and the Bishops thus visiting shall lay before the Trustees at their next meeting

any recommendations which they may deem of advantage to the Institution. The Trustees shall make report to the General Convention of their proceedings and of the state of the Seminary.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Article V. of the Constitution be amended so as to read :

V. The Board of Trustees shall have power to remove the Dean, the Professors, and other Officers; but no such incumbent shall be removed from office unless notice of an intended motion for such removal, and the grounds thereof, shall have been given to him. The nomination of the Dean and Professors shall be made at one meeting of the Board of Trustees, and acted upon at a subsequent meeting to be held not less than two months after the meeting at which the nomination is made, due notice being given of the object of said meeting to every member of the Board. *Provided*, however, that when directed by the Standing Committee, of which due notice shall be given to every member of the Board, nominations of Professors may be received by the Secretary of the Board at any time not less than three months before the meeting at which they are to be acted upon, and such nominations, with the names of those who make them, shall be sent by the Secretary, not less than two months before the meeting of the Board, to every one of its members.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the resolutions contained in Message No. 39 from the House of Deputies were referred to the Committee on the General Theological Seminary. [See p. 113.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies, together with a copy of the report of the Committee of the House of Deputies on the State of the Church :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE No. 40.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That a copy of the report presented by the Committee on the State of the Church be transmitted to our Reverend Fathers in God, the House of Bishops, with the request that they issue a Pastoral Letter, and asking their united prayers and episcopal benediction.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in Message No. 40 from the House of Deputies, together with the accompanying document, was referred to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter. [See p. 114.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 82] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE No. 41.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the resolutions contained in Message No. 45 from the House of

Bishops, concerning Pointing of the Canticles and Psalter, and the Continuing of the Commission.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 85] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 42.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the suggestion of the House of Bishops, communicated in its Message No. 48, that Thursday of this week at twelve o'clock noon be appointed as the day and hour when the members of the House of Bishops may meet with the members of the House of Deputies, to receive the Reports on Christian Education, etc.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of California offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the whole subject of Missionary Jurisdictions, as regards their territorial extent and boundaries, be referred to a special Committee to be appointed by this House, to report at the next General Convention any recommendations as to readjustment and rearrangement of said Jurisdictions which in their judgment may be advisable after consultation with the Missionary Bishops concerned and any other persons whom they may wish to consult ;

which was adopted. [See p. 106.]

The Bishop of Kentucky offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That there shall be a meeting of the Board of Missions on Friday evening next immediately after Divine service ;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 60. See p. 107.]

The Bishop of Western New York offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Italian Version of the Prayer Book, accepted by this Church in 1886, having been rendered practically useless by the adoption of the revised Prayer Book and its Standard Edition, ought to receive corresponding revision and enrichment ; and that the Committee on the Prayer Book be instructed to report on the measures necessary to the speedy accomplishment of such a result ;

which was adopted. [See p. 105.]

The Bishop of Iowa, from the Joint Commission to confer on the Regularity and Validity of the Orders of the Church of Sweden, presented the following report :

Your Joint Commission, to whom was entrusted the consideration of the subject of the Regularity and Validity of the Orders of the Church of Sweden, beg leave to report that they have given the matter their careful study.

1. They find that there is a very strong probability that in the established Church of Sweden a tactual ministerial succession has been continued since the period of the Lutheran Reformation.

2. They also find that since that time the Swedish Church has not retained the three orders of the Ministry, the Diaconate as a holy order being entirely rejected.

3. They further find, that at the Swedish ordinations, the laying-on of hands is accompanied by no words denoting the conferring of any gift, order, or office, nor by any prayer for the descent of the Holy Ghost. The only words now used (and this has been the unvarying custom since 1571) are the Lord's Prayer.

4. They also find that the same ceremony of laying on of hands and the same words are used at the "Ordination to the Office of Preaching," at the "Installing into the Office of Church Pastor," and at the "Installing of a Bishop into Office."

5. They also find that (while "ordination" or "consecration" to the Episcopate is sometimes spoken of in the canon law) in the present office-books there is no such service, but only one for "Installing a Bishop into Office," which corresponds almost exactly with the form for "Installing a Church Pastor into Office."

Your Joint Commission could add other facts, but they deem these sufficient to warrant their proposing the following resolution:

Resolved, That, while not giving any judgment with regard to the validity or otherwise of ordination ministered by the Established Church of Sweden, for the reason that the subject is now before the Lambeth Conference, for the greater security of our own people, the General Convention judges it right that, without first receiving the order of Deacon and afterwards that of Priesthood with the undoubtedly sufficient form of words provided by our own Prayer Book, and from a Bishop in communion with this Church, no minister of the Swedish Church shall be allowed to officiate in any congregation under the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Bishop of Chicago.*

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Bishop of Iowa.*

A. M. RANDOLPH, *Bishop of Southern Virginia.*

WILLIAM F. NICHOLS, *Bishop of California.*

THOS. F. DAVIES, *Bishop of Michigan.*

G. M. CHRISTIAN.

GEORGE McCLELLAN FISKE.

H. R. PERCIVAL.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, the resolution contained in the report of the Commission was made the Order of the Day for to-morrow at three o'clock. [See p. 107.]

The Bishop of Fond du Lac offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons be continued, and that the Canons in its report, not finally acted upon at this Convention, be recommitted to it with instructions to report to the next General Convention;

which was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 61. See p. 109.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 7, § iii. [p. 33 of the Digest], be amended by substituting the word "majority" for the word "three-fourths";

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 111.]

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, being the consideration of the Proposed Canons reported by the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons.

The Bishop of Quincy moved the approval of Canon 1.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, ii. of § I. was amended by striking out the word "also" in the second line, and by substituting the word "or" in place of the word "and" in the same line.

The Bishop of Massachusetts moved that the following be substituted for i. and the first two lines of ii. of § I. :

§ i. 1. Every person desiring to be admitted a candidate for Holy Orders is, in the first instance, to consult his immediate Pastor, or, if he have none, some Presbyter to whom he is personally known, setting before him the grounds of his desire for admission to the Ministry, together with such circumstances as may bear on his qualifications, or tend to affect the course of preparation.

2. If counselled to persevere in his intention, such person shall then, with letter of approval and introduction from such Presbyter, present himself personally to the Bishop, and state to him in writing —

Pending action upon this motion, it was voted that the House do now adjourn.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 16, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer and Litany, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Olympia, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 87] :

REPORT No 8.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the resolution offered by the Bishop of Western New York proposing an amendment of Title II., Canon 13, § ii. [p. 120 of the Digest], by the omission of these words, to wit: "but this Canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery or to parties once divorced seeking to be united again," respectfully report that they have considered the matter referred to them and recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this House, it would be premature to recommend the action amending Title II., Canon 13, § ii., proposed in the resolution referred to them, inasmuch as the whole subject will be before both Houses of this Convention in the report of the Joint Commission on Constitutional Revision.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was adopted.

The Bishop of Florida, from the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following report [see pp. 21, 69]:

REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on Domestic Missions respectfully reports that it has had before it the Memorial from the Diocese of North Carolina, praying the General Convention to accept a portion of its territory to be formed into a Missionary District, and does not approve of the request made in said Memorial for the following reasons, viz.:

1. No statement from the Diocese has been laid before the Committee binding the Diocese in any way to turn over the property which the delegates think the Diocese will agree to turn over.

2. There is no pledge given by the parishes lying in the proposed Missionary District that they will continue to pay toward the support of the Missionary Bishop the money now contributed toward the support of the Bishop of North Carolina.

3. Your Committee believes the territory can be administered for the next three years without serious loss to the Church.

For the Committee,

EDWIN G. WEED.

On motion, the foregoing report was made the Order of the Day immediately after the transaction of the business already made the Order of the Day for three o'clock. [See p. 108.]

The Bishop of Long Island, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented its Report No. 3, recommending the passage of the following resolution [see p. 77]:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That consent be given to the erection of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Texas into a Diocese; and that the boundaries of said Diocese conform to those of the Missionary District of Northern Texas as originally set forth by the General Convention of 1874;

which was, on motion, adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 62. See p. 157.]

The Bishop of California, from the Committee on Despatch of Business, presented the following report [see p. 76]:

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Despatch of Business, to which was referred the Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, beg leave to report that they have conferred with members of the several Commissions named in the said report, and find that the Commission on Moravian Orders and the Committee on a Canon for the Governance of Brotherhoods, Mission Priests, and Sisterhoods have at this writing presented their reports. They have called the attention of the following named Committees to the fact that they have not reported to this Convention, viz.:

(1) The Commission on the Revision of the Course of Theological Study.

(2) The Committee to confer with the English Church as to a Board of Reference on Foreign Missions of the Anglican Communion.

(3) The Committee on the Subject of a Prayer Book in the German Language.

(4) The Commission on Ecclesiastical Vestments.

They have further considered the matters referred to them as not yet reported upon to this House by the various Committees to which they were relegated.

They recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, viz.:

(1) *Resolved*, That the Committee on Notifying Bishops-Nominate of their Election be discharged, that Committee being as a rule appointed from Convention to Convention.

(2) *Resolved*, That the Committees above referred to be called upon for reports, and be continued or discharged as the House may determine.

(3) *Resolved*, That the Committee on Canons be asked to report upon the suggested amendments to Title I., Canon 19, § xv. [p. 79, Journal of 1892]; and that the Commission on the Hymnal be asked to report upon the matters referred to it.

Your Committee would further call attention to the fact that by the joint action of the two Houses, the Canons on Marriage and Divorce were referred to this Convention.

WILLIAM F. NICHOLS.
G. H. KINSOLVING.
WM. CRANE GRAY.

The question being on the first resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was adopted.

The question being on the second resolution contained in the report, it was adopted.

Action being taken as proposed in the second resolution, on motion of the Bishop of New York, the Commission on the Revision of the Course of Theological Study was discharged, with the thanks of the House to the Bishop of Western New York for his valuable services on the Commission.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the Committee to confer with

the English Church as to a Board of Reference on Foreign Missions of the Anglican Communion was discharged.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the Committee on the Subject of a Prayer Book in the German Language was discharged.

The Bishop of Iowa further offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That a Commission be appointed to prepare and report to the next General Convention a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the German tongue, which version shall not only conform to the Standard Prayer Book of 1892, but shall, so far as may be, have regard to the liturgical language of the German people ;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed as the Commission, the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Iowa, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Nebraska, the Bishop of Ohio, and the Rev. Dr. C. Theodore Seibt.

The Bishop of Springfield moved that the Committee to report what vestments are lawful in this Church be continued, to report to the next General Convention.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia moved, as an amendment, that the Committee report to the present Convention ; which was not adopted.

The question being on the resolution offered by the Bishop of Springfield, it was adopted.

The question being on the third resolution contained in the report of the Committee on Despatch of Business, the Bishop of Chicago moved, as an amendment, to refer the proposed amendments of Title I., Canon 19, § xv. [p. 77 of the Digest], to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons, instead of the Committee on Canons of this House ; which was adopted.

The question being on the third resolution, as thus amended, it was adopted.

The Bishop of Iowa, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 82] :

REPORT NO. 6.

The Committee on Rules of Order, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Fond du Lac, proposing the substitution in the Standing Orders of this House of the title " Primate " for " Presiding Bishop," respectfully report that in their judgment such change would be inexpedient at the present time, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of this question.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY.

ELISON CAPERS.

FRANK R. MILLSPAUGH.

On motion, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the question.

The Bishop of Pittsburgh offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Senior Bishop of the House of Bishops be henceforth known by the title of Primate ;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order. [See p. 110.]

The Bishop of Western New York, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, to which was referred the matter of the amendment of the Italian version of the Prayer Book [see p. 99], presented the following resolution as its Report No. 3 :

Resolved, That the Committee on the Prayer Book are hereby authorized to obtain, if possible, the further services of the translator of the Italian Version of the Book of Common Prayer, rendering it conformable, in all respects, to the present Standard Prayer Book of the Church ;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Quincy, from the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, presented the following as the proposed Canon of Marriage and Divorce :

CANON 35.

OF MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

§ i. No Minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife still living ; but this prohibition shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce which the Court shall have granted for the cause of adultery, or to parties once divorced from each other seeking to be united again.

§ ii. If any Minister of this Church know or have reasonable cause to believe that a person has been married otherwise than as the discipline of this Church doth allow, he shall not minister Holy Baptism or the Holy Communion to such person without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese. *Provided*, however, that no Minister shall, in any case, refuse the Sacraments to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, action on the proposed Canon 35 was postponed. [See next page.]

On motion, the House proceeded to receive nominations of a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Alaska.

The roll of the Bishops was called ; and, nominations having been received, they were referred to the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops. [See p. 108.]

The hour of noon having arrived, at the request of the Chair-

man, the Bishop of Cape Palmas bade the House to prayer for Missions.

On motion of the Bishop of Montana, the report of the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops was made the Order of the Day for four o'clock this afternoon.

The Chairman appointed, as the Committee to report at the next General Convention recommendations as to the readjustment and rearrangement of the Missionary Jurisdictions [see p. 99], the Bishop of Springfield, the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, and the Bishop of California.

On motion of the Bishop of Quincy, the House proceeded to consider the proposed Canon of Marriage and Divorce. [See last page.]

The question being on Section I., the Bishop of Florida moved, as an amendment, to strike out the words "to the innocent party in a divorce which the court shall have granted for the cause of adultery or." [See pp. 107, 122.]

The Order of the Day being suspended, the following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 90] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 12th day of the Session,
October 16, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 43.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the first and third resolutions contained in Message No. 54 from the House of Bishops, concerning the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations ;

And that the House of Deputies has appointed, as members of said Joint Commission on its part, the Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. William Chauncey Langdon, D.D., the Rev. R. J. Nevin, D.D., the Rev. Wm. H. Vibbert, D.D., the Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, S.T.D., the Rev. W. D'O. Doty, D.D., the Rev. H. Y. Satterlee, D.D., the Rev. F. S. Jewell, Ph. D., the Rev. F. A. DeRosset, Mr. John A. King, Mr. William Keyser, Mr. Melville W. Fuller, Mr. Henry Chauncey, Mr. William Bayard Cutting, Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry, Mr. Francis Philip Nash, and Mr. George C. Copeland.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 91] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 12th day of the Session,
October 16, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 44.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 55 from the House of Bishops, naming Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 79] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 12th day of the Session,
October 16, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 45.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it does not concur in the resolution contained in Message No. 44 from the House of Bishops touching proposed change in Title-page of the Prayer Book.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 99] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 12th day of the Session,
October 16, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 46.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it does not concur in the resolution contained in Message No. 60 from the House of Bishops, naming Friday morning next for a meeting of the Board of Missions, for the reason that a session can be held on Friday morning if the Board of Missions at its session on Thursday shall so direct.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Chicago moved that the Bishops go into Council at five o'clock to-day and continue in Council till six o'clock, if necessary ; which was adopted.

The Chairman presented the report of the Church University Board of Regents. [See Appendix XIII.]

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York, the Order of the Day for three o'clock to-day, being the consideration of the report on Swedish Orders [see p. 99], was postponed until the same hour to-morrow. [See p. 147.] .

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont, the further consideration of the Canon of Marriage and Divorce was made the Order of the Day for three o'clock this afternoon.

The Bishop of Western Texas asked to be excused from further attendance at the present session of this House ; which request, on motion, was granted.

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The House proceeded with the consideration of the proposed Canon of Marriage and Divorce. [See p. 105.]

The Bishop of Maryland moved that the Order of the Day be suspended until a vote has been taken on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Florida ; which was not adopted. See p. 122.]

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, being the reception of the report of the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

On motion, the nomination of Presbyters to be elected Bishop of Kyoto and Bishop of Alaska was made the Order of the Day for half-past ten o'clock to-morrow.

On motion, the consideration of the report of the Committee on Domestic Missions with reference to the proposed Missionary Jurisdiction in North Carolina [see p. 102] was made the Order of the Day for to-morrow after the transaction of routine business.

On motion, the report of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter was made the Order of the Day for to-morrow at three o'clock.

On motion, it was voted that the House do now adjourn till half-past ten o'clock to-morrow.

The Bishop of Western New York pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

THIRTEENTH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 17, 1895.

The Bishops assembled at Gethsemane Church at half-past seven o'clock for the celebration of the Holy Communion.

The House met at half-past ten o'clock, after Morning Prayer.

The Bishop of Shanghai read one of the appointed Lessons of Holy Scripture, and the Chairman bade the House to prayer, using the form prescribed for use before balloting for Presbyters to be nominated for election to Missionary Bishoprics. The Bishop of Kansas and the Bishop of Indiana were appointed tellers.

The Bishop of West Virginia offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the ballot for a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto be postponed ;

which was not adopted.

The House proceeded to ballot for a Presbyter to be nominated

to the House of Deputies as Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots ; and the Rev. Joseph Marshall Francis, a Presbyter of the Missionary District of Tokyo, was found to have received a majority of the votes, and was therefore declared by the Chairman to have been chosen to be nominated for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto. [Communicated to the House of Deputies, with preliminary action (see p. 72), in Message No. 63. See p. 118.]

The House proceeded to ballot for a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Alaska.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots ; and the Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe, a Presbyter of the Missionary District of Northern Michigan, was found to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen to be nominated for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Alaska. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 64. See p. 133.]

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the Secretary was instructed to communicate the nominations just made to the House of Deputies.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 101] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 12th day of the Session,
October 16, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 47.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 61 from the House of Bishops, continuing the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, and recommitting to them the Canons in their report not finally acted upon at this Convention.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 12th day of the Session,
October 16, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 48.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the subjoined resolution, suggesting the setting forth an Office for Independence-Day, be transmitted to the House of Bishops, with the information that its prayer is endorsed by the Committee on the State of the Church of this House, and asking that its said prayer may be considered by that House:

“*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops be requested to consider the question of setting forth a short form of prayer for use in all the churches on the morning of the Fourth Day of July in each year.”

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in Message No. 48 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book. [See p. 119.]

The Bishop of New York presented a Memorial from Mr. William Speiden, in reference to the Chinese Exclusion Act; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 158.]

The Bishop of Western New York presented a Memorial from the Diocese of Western New York, in reference to the Commemoration on or near December 14, 1899, of the centennial anniversary of the death of George Washington; which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Petitions and Memorials. [See p. 158.]

The Bishop of Maine presented the report of the Committee on Christian Education. [See Appendix XII.]

The Bishop of Iowa, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 105]:

REPORT NO. 7.

The Committee on Rules of Order, to which was referred a resolution, offered by the Bishop of Pittsburgh, proposing that the designation of the Senior Bishop of the House of Bishops be henceforth “Primate,” respectfully report that, in their judgment, the recommendation of the adoption of this title as suggested would be *ultra vires* until by precedent action on the part of this House, by adopting this title, changes in the Rules of Order may be necessary to make them conformable to such action.

They, therefore, would respectfully refer the proposed resolution back to the House for consideration as a substantive resolution.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY.
ELLISON CAPERS.
FRANK R. MILLSPAUGH.

On motion of the Bishop of Pittsburgh, the resolution offered by him was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 129.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 101]:

REPORT NO. 9.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, proposing a change in Title I., Canon 7, § iii. [p. 33 of the Digest], respectfully report the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolution proposing an amendment in Title I., Canon 7, § iii., be referred to the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons continued to report to the next General Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of Georgia, from the Joint Committee appointed to nominate a Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and a Missionary Council, to serve until the next General Convention, presented a report containing the names of persons nominated by them. [See Appendix II.]

On motion, the persons nominated by the Committee as members of the Board of Managers and as members of the Missionary Council were, the House of Deputies concurring, elected in accordance with said nomination.

On motion, the resolution appended to the report of the Committee was, the House of Deputies concurring, adopted, authorizing the Secretary of the Board of Managers to call the Board together for organization. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 65. See p. 120.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons of this House to consider and report what changes, if any, are desirable in Title iii., Canon 7, § i., Article IV. [p. 136 of the Digest], specifying the term of office of the delegates to the Missionary Council elected by Diocesan Councils;

which was adopted [See p. 118.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 49.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the resolution of the General Convention of 1871, which forbids the Hymnal being bound up with the Book of Common Prayer, be and hereby is rescinded.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in Message No. 49 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book. [See p. 119.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 50.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Quinquagesima Sunday, or some other Sunday near that day, of every year be recommended to the several churches of this Church throughout the land as a day appropriate for taking up an offering for the General Clergy Relief Fund.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 50 from the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 66.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 83, 121]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 51.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur in Message No. 46 of the House of Bishops, consenting to the setting off of a Missionary Jurisdiction from the existing Diocese of Minnesota.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes that portion of the State of Minnesota lying north of the south lines of the counties of Big Stone, Stevens, Pope, Stearns, Benton, Mille Lacs, Kanabec, and Pine, a Missionary District of this Church to be known by the name of the Missionary District of Duluth.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to communicate to the House of Deputies information of this action.

Resolved, That the House proceed to the nomination of a Bishop for the said Missionary District.

[See p. 151.]

The hour of noon having arrived, the House was bidden by the Chairman to prayer for Missions.

The House took a recess that its members might meet with the members of the House of Deputies in Gethsemane Church, to receive the reports of the Committee on Christian Education and the report of the Church University Board of Regents.

The House met after the recess.

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 1.

The Standing Committee on the General Theological Seminary would respectfully report that they have had under review sundry documents describing the history of this institution during the last three years, which they have read with much interest and satisfaction.

The value of the real estate belonging to the Seminary, as reported in June last, was nearly \$537,000. And this does not include the sixty-four valuable lots comprising what is known as the Seminary Block, nor the costly buildings erected thereon, and the Library, worth to-day in themselves not less than \$1,350,000. The value of other buildings, bonds, and mortgages is, in round numbers, \$854,000; making a total valuation of not less than \$2,750,000.

Since the last General Convention, a number of important changes have been made in the course of study, with a view to its enlargement and improvement. A new Chair, that of Moral Theology and Christian Philosophy, has been constituted; the first, it is believed, in this department established in any of our Divinity Schools.

The Department of Biblical Learning has been divided by assigning the Literature and Interpretation of the New Testament to the Professor of Biblical Learning, with a change in his title, and by the establishment of a new Professorship dealing with the Old Testament. There has also been added to the Faculty an Adjunct Professor of Pastoral Theology.

It will thus be seen that the Trustees are on the alert in providing such additional teaching power as the needs of the Church and of the growing numbers in the Seminary seem to demand.

Professors Buel and Eiginbrodt have died during the last year. The name of the latter must always be cherished with especial gratitude, because of the really munificent legacy which he left to the Seminary.

The number of students during the past three years has been as follows: In 1892-3, 131; in 1893-4, 145; in 1894-5, 138. At present there are 150 on the ground. Large as these numbers are, they would have been still larger if there had been room for more. There is urgent need of increased accommodations, and it is earnestly hoped that the Church will not much longer delay providing the necessary means for this worthy object. Several new buildings have been erected as residences for Professors. We hope we may hear before the next General Convention of the much-needed Refectory, with Gymnasium. For however so large the assets of the Seminary are, the reduced rates of interest, and the increased incidental expenses of the Institution, leave no balance of income to be applied to anything new. Additional sums are much wanted for new

Scholarships and for the endowment of the Library. Gifts and legacies to the handsome amount of one hundred and seventy thousand dollars have been received during the past three years.

In view of all these facts, and of others that might well be mentioned, your Committee feel that they may rightly congratulate the Dean (to whom more is due than can be here expressed), and all who are immediately concerned in its management, upon the present and prospective condition of an institution in which the Church at large must ever feel an especial interest.

Your Committee would recommend the adoption by this House of the amendments proposed to this Convention in the Constitution of the Seminary, with a slight modification in the language of the Proviso in Article V.

There has been referred to this Committee a communication to which we refer in the resolutions appended to this report.

We would offer the following resolutions :

Resolved, That this House express the grateful satisfaction with which it has heard of the continued and increasing prosperity of the General Theological Seminary.

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the amendments to the Constitution of the Seminary, which have been already adopted by the Trustees of the Seminary, except in so far as concerns the Proviso attached to Article V., which this House would have to read as follows, viz. :

“ *Provided*, however, that when directed by the Standing Committee, the Secretary of the Board shall give notice to every member thereof, that nominations to fill a vacancy in the Professorships will be received by him at any time,” etc.

Resolved, That the attention of the members of this House be respectfully invited to the communication from the Conference of Seminaries on the subject of Canonical Examinations. [See p. 19.]

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR, *Chairman Committee*.

FRED'K R. GRAVES, *Secretary*.

On motion, the first resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 67. See p. 120.]

On motion, the third resolution contained in the report was adopted.

The Bishop of Missouri moved that the Order of the Day be postponed ; which was not adopted.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, being the report of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

The Bishop of Long Island, from the said Committee, presented a draft of a Pastoral Letter.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the Pastoral Letter this day read to the Bishops be accepted in its substance as the Pastoral Letter of the Bishops of this Church, and that it be recommitted, with the thanks of this House, to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter, for such modifications in its phraseology and such condensation of its statements as may tend to the greater edification of the faithful.

Resolved, That individual members of this House be requested to submit in writing such suggestions as they may desire to submit to the Committee not later than the hour of noon to-morrow, and that it be understood that the Committee shall not be required to consider suggestions received after that time; and, further, that the Committee be requested to submit its final report on Saturday next at half-past ten o'clock.

Resolved, That the Pastoral Letter issued by the Bishops in October last, and referred to in the Letter this day submitted to the House, be printed in an Appendix to the Journal:

which were severally adopted. [See p. 134.]

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Pastoral Letter issued by the Bishops in Council in October, 1894, be printed as an Appendix to the Journal of this General Convention; and that this re-issue of the said Conciliar Pastoral have prefixed to it the following resolution, to wit:

“Resolved, That this House solemnly affirms the doctrinal teaching of the Pastoral Letter issued by the Bishops in Council in October, 1894”;

action on which was, on motion, postponed until after the presentation of a further report from the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider and report what changes, if any, are desirable in the Form of Certificate of Assent and Election, adopted for use in the case of the election of a Foreign Missionary Bishop in 1844, and, as is believed, still in force;

which was adopted. [See p. 134.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 52.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, be instructed to secure a change in the Charter of the Society, so as to provide for the enlargement in the number of Trustees as indicated in the action of the General Convention of 1892.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 52 from the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 68.]

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 53.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, The House of Deputies has passed unanimously a resolution requesting a yearly collection for the benefit of the Infirm Clergy Relief Fund upon Quinquagesima Sunday, or the Sunday nearest thereto that may be most convenient; therefore

Resolved, That this House do respectfully request the House of Bishops to embody this request in their Pastoral in such a way as may present its importance to the Protestant Episcopal Church in America.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, Message No. 53 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

On motion, it was voted that the House do now adjourn.

The Bishop of Minnesota pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

FOURTEENTH DAY.

ST. LUKE'S DAY, FRIDAY, October 18, 1895.

The House met after the celebration of the Holy Communion, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Tokyo, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see pp. 91, 96]:

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred the resolution contained in Message No. 37 from the House of Deputies, beg leave to report the following recommendations:

First, That this House concur with the House of Deputies in substituting "Convention" for "Synod."

Second, That this House concur with the House of Deputies in striking out from Section 2 the words "by reason of advanced age or infirmity."

Third, That this House do not concur with the House of Deputies in striking out from Section 2 the words "having jurisdiction," for the reason that if these words are omitted, all Bishops, even those who might

be under suspension or some other discipline, would have a seat and a vote in this House. The omission of these words seems to be due to a clerical error.

Fourth, That this House concur with the House of Deputies in their action on Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of the Constitutions, adding, however, to Section 4 the words "at any time before the final adjournment of the Convention then in session."

Fifth, That this House ask for a Committee of Conference to consider the non-concurrent action of the two Houses.

For the Committee,

O. W. WHITAKER, *Chairman*.

The question being on the first recommendation of the Committee, the Bishop of Western New York offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House does not concur with that part of the resolution contained in Message No. 37 from the House of Deputies, which relates to the substitution of the word "Convention," in place of the word "Synod," for the reason that the term "Convention," heretofore and conspicuously at this very Session, has led the popular mind and the popular journalism into the most unhappy mistakes as to the nature of our Legislation, the processes of our work, and the sacred character of the relations between the two Houses ;

which was adopted.

The question recurring on the second and the third recommendations of the Committee, they were adopted.

The question being on the fourth recommendation of the Committee, on motion, it was voted that this House substitute the word "relieved" for the word "removed" in Section 4.

The Bishop of Georgia moved that this House strike out the words "within the limits of the United States," in Section 6 ; which was adopted.

The question being on adopting the action recommended by the Committee, as amended, the Bishop of Vermont moved that the House reinsert in Section 2 the words "by reason of advanced age or infirmity" ; which was adopted.

The following resolution was offered :

Resolved, That this House concur with the resolution contained in Message No. 37 from the House of Deputies, with the amendments made by this House, and that this House ask for a Committee of Conference on the subject ;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 74. See p. 133.]

The Chairman appointed, as the Committee of Conference on the part of this House, the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Kentucky, and the Bishop of Delaware.

The hour of noon having arrived, the House was bidden to prayer for Missions by the Chairman.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 111]:

REPORT No. 10.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the resolution offered by the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, with reference to Title III., Canon 7, § i., Art. IV. [p. 136 of the Digest], respectfully report the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following words be added to Title I., Canon 7, § i., Art. IV., after the words "Missionary Jurisdiction," in lines 9 and 10 of said Article IV.: "Said presbyter and said layman to continue in office for one year, or until a successor is appointed."

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 75. See p. 141.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, from the Committee of Conference on Message No. 33 from the House of Bishops, presented the following report [see pp. 59, 79]:

The Committee of Conference, to which was referred Message No. 33 of the House of Bishops, respectfully reports: That it is unanimously of opinion that an "Index and Digest of all Journals of the General Convention" could only be prepared at an expense out of all proportion to the advantages to be derived therefrom; and as both Houses have already concurred in providing for a careful Subject-Index of the next Journal and of the Constitution and Canons, the Committee recommends that no further legislation on the subject is advisable. The Committee, therefore, recommends the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

M. N. GILBERT,
LEIGHTON COLEMAN,
H. A. ANSTICE,
R. S. CONOVER,
Committee of Conference.

The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 76. See p. 133.]

On motion of the Bishop of Nevada and Utah, the form of resolution adopted by this House with reference to the erection of the Missionary District of Kyoto was reconsidered. [See pp. 72, 109.]

The Bishop of Nevada and Utah offered the following resolution as a substitute:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a new Missionary District be erected in the islands of Japan, within the limits of the present Missionary District of Tokyo, to be called the Missionary District of Kyoto;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 69. See p. 141.]

On motion of the Bishop of Nevada and Utah, the Secretary was instructed to notify the House of Deputies of the nomination of the Rev. James Marshall Francis for election as Bishop of said Missionary District. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 70.]

On motion of the Bishop of Nevada and Utah, it was voted that this House request the House of Deputies to allow the substitution of two Messages, communicating separately the resolution last adopted and information of the nomination for the Bishopric of Kyoto, for its Message No. 63, which informed the House of Deputies of the erection of the Missionary District of Kyoto and of the nomination of a Presbyter for election as Bishop thereof; which was adopted.

The Bishop of Western New York, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented its Report No. 4, recommending the passage of the following resolution [see p. 110]:

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this House, the setting forth of a form of Prayer for use in the churches on the Fourth of July annually is inexpedient at the present time, every Bishop having the privilege and right to set forth such a form for his own Diocese until experience and comparison may suggest the best and most practical manner of formulating an office for the Fourth of July worthy of being added to the Book of Common Prayer;

which, on his motion, was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 72.]

The Bishop of Western New York, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented its Report No. 5, recommending the passage of the following resolution [see p. 112]:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House the resolution of the General Convention of 1871, which forbids the binding of the Hymnal with the Book of Common Prayer, ought not to be rescinded; it being all important to guard the popular mind against a confusion of ideas as to what the Prayer Book is, and what is included in its contents;

which, on his motion, was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 73. See p. 149.]

The Bishop of Missouri moved that the Order of the Day be postponed; which was not adopted.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 111]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 54.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the resolutions, contained in Message No. 65 from the House of Bishops, nominating members of the Missionary Council and Board of Managers, etc.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 114]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 55.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in Message No. 67 from the House of Bishops, touching the amendment of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 126 of the Digest]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 56.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 2, § iii., be amended so as to read as follows:

When there is no Bishop, or when it is certified in writing by at least two reputable physicians who shall have examined the case, that the Bishop is incapable of giving authority, and upon the advice of two Bishops of adjoining Dioceses, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority, and shall retain such authority until such time as by like certificates the Bishop shall be declared competent to perform his official duties.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Quincy, the resolution contained in Message No. 56 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 129.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 112]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 57.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops be respectfully requested to return to this House its Message No. 51, consenting to the setting off of a Missionary Jurisdiction from the existing Diocese of Minnesota.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, the Secretary was instructed to return to the House of Deputies its Message No. 51. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 71. See p. 127.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 67 of the Digest]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 58.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That Message No. 63 be respectfully returned to the House of Bishops, with the statement that this House has no information that the Missionary District of Kyoto has as yet been canonically erected with the concurrence of this House, as required by Title I., Canon 19, Section vii. [1].

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Maryland offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House ask the House of Deputies for a Committee of Conference on the relations of the two Houses in the matter of Messages;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed, as members of the Committee of Conference on the part of this House, the Bishop of Quincy, the Bishop of Maryland, and the Bishop of New York. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No 77. See p. 133.]

The Bishop of California asked to be excused from further attendance upon the present session of the House; which request, on motion, was granted.

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The Bishop of North Carolina offered the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, The Diocese of North Carolina, by deliberate action of the Bishop and the Convention thereof, has, for urgent and sufficient reasons, declared its desire to establish its western limits on the western lines of the counties of Surry, Yadkin, Iredell, and Mecklenburg, by a line running from the State line of Virginia on the north to that of South Carolina on the south, and has proposed to transfer to the General Convention the counties of Allegheny, Wilkes, Alexander, Catawba, Lincoln, and Gaston, together with all territory of the present Diocese of North Carolina lying to the westward of said last named counties, in order that the same may be erected into a Missionary Jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, This House is sufficiently advised of the consent of the parishes lying on either side of the line to the proposed cession of said territory for the purpose aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, Doubts are entertained by many of the power under our Constitution permanently to alter the territorial extent of a Diocese in this form, yet impressed with the great necessities of the Church in that Diocese, and of the justice of her claims to prompt relief, and following repeated precedents in like cases; therefore

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the limitation of the jurisdiction of the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina within the limits above indicated until such constitutional amendment and legislation thereunder can be secured as are necessary to remove the doubts aforesaid, and that in the meantime the territory west of the limits aforesaid and within the State of North Carolina be held and treated as missionary territory and subject to missionary jurisdiction;

which were adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 78. See p. 147.]

The Bishop of Western Michigan offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Rules of Order to consider the advisability of amending General Rule III. by adding in the seventh line after the words "shall be by ballot" the words "The Committee on the Pastoral Letter shall be appointed at the previous Convention, and said appointment shall be by ballot";

which was adopted. [See p. 146.]

On motion, the House proceeded to the further consideration of the Canon of Marriage and Divorce, presented by the Bishop of Quincy from the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons. [See p. 106.]

The question being on the amendment of Section I., offered by the Bishop of Florida at the Twelfth Day's Session, to strike out the words "to the innocent party in a divorce which the Court shall have granted for the cause of adultery or," it was not adopted.

The question being on the approval of Section I. of the Canon, as presented by the Committee, it was approved.

The question being on the adoption of Section II., the Bishop of Vermont moved that Section II. be amended to read as follows :

No person who, having a divorced husband or wife still living, has been married again, save in the case above excepted, shall be admitted to Holy Baptism, Confirmation, or Holy Communion, without the written consent, etc. ;

which was approved.

The question being on the approval of Section II., as amended, it was approved.

The question being on the adoption of Canon 35 of Marriage and Divorce, as amended, the Bishop of Quincy moved to strike out of Section I. the words “ which the Court shall have granted.”

The Bishop of Maine moved, as an amendment, to add the words “ The evidence of adultery must be found in the records of the Court ” ; which was adopted.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment offered by the Bishop of Quincy, it was adopted.

The question being on the adoption of Section I., as amended, it was adopted.

The Bishop of Maryland moved to amend Section II. by substituting the words “ In all cases of doubt as to pastoral duties, arising under this Canon, the godly counsel of the Bishop shall be sought and followed.”

The Bishop of Vermont offered the following as a substitute for Section II. :

2. No person who, having been divorced, save in the case above mentioned, is living in another marriage union, shall be admitted to Holy Baptism, Confirmation, or Holy Communion, without the written consent of the Bishop ; *Provided*, however, etc.

The Bishop of Delaware offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the further consideration of the Canon of Marriage and Divorce be postponed and made the Order of the Day immediately after the first Order of the Day to-morrow morning ; and that the proposed Canon as amended, together with the proposed amendments, be printed for the use of this House ;

which was adopted. [See p. 135.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota offered the following resolution [see p. 78 of the Digest] :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1] be amended by inserting after the words “ whether Domestic or Foreign ” the words “ or in case a Missionary Jurisdiction shall not

previously have been provided with a Missionary Bishop," and also by inserting after the words "vacancy or vacancies" the words "or absence of provision";

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 128.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 34, 40 of the Digest]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE No. 59.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 7, § v. (b), be amended so as to read as follows:

(b) A certificate from the Bishop, or Bishop Coadjutor, declaring the date of his admission, and the character of his candidateship, and also a certificate from the Bishop, or Bishop Coadjutor, or from the Examining Chaplains, that he has passed satisfactorily his examination for Deacon's Orders, as provided in Title I., Canon 5, § ii., or Title I., Canon 6, § vi. [1] and [2]; *Provided*, That when such certificates cannot be had, other evidence, satisfactory to the Committee, shall suffice.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 10, § i. (a), be amended so as to read as follows:

§ i. No person shall be ordained Priest unless he be first recommended to the Bishop for ordination by the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs. In order to such recommendation, he must lay before the Standing Committee (a) a certificate from the Bishop, or Bishop Coadjutor, attesting that he is of sufficient age, and that the terms of his candidateship and the time of his service in the Diaconate have been completed, and also a certificate from the Bishop, or Bishop Coadjutor, or from the Examining Chaplains, that he has passed satisfactorily his examination for Priest's Orders as provided in Title I., Canon 6, § vi.; *Provided*, That when such certificates cannot be had, other evidence, satisfactory to the Committee, shall suffice.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolutions contained in Message No. 59 from the House of Deputies were referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 132.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 135 of the Digest]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE No. 60.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, § i., Article IV., be amended so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV. There shall be a Missionary Council of this Church. It shall comprise all the Bishops of this Church, all the members of the

Board of Managers, such other clergymen or laymen as may be selected by the General Convention at its triennial meetings, and, in addition thereto, one presbyter and one layman from each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction to be chosen by the Convention, Council, or Convocation of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction. This Council so formed shall meet annually except in those years appointed for the meeting of the Board of Missions, at such time and place as may be designated by the Board of Managers with the approval of the Presiding Bishop. Said Council shall be competent to consider the missionary work of the Church, to make such recommendations to the Board of Managers as it may deem expedient, and to increase interest in the work of the Board of Missions. It shall be competent for the Bishop of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to fill vacancies in the representation of his Diocese or Jurisdiction occurring by removal, resignation, or death, between the sessions of the Convention, Council, or Convocation of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

There shall also be appointed in like manner a Board of Managers, to be selected from the Missionary Council, comprising the Presiding Bishop as President, and fifteen other bishops, fifteen presbyters, and fifteen laymen, who shall have the management of the general missions of this Church, and when the Board of Missions is not in session, shall exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; they shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and they shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number.

All other Bishops of this Church, together with the Secretary and Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and of the Board of Managers, shall be *ex-officio* members of the Board, and have all the rights and privileges of the elected members except the right to vote.

Whenever demanded by one-fifth of the members present, a majority of two-thirds of the members voting shall be necessary to any act of the Board. In all annual appropriations, and in entering upon or abandoning any missionary field, as also in changing the by-laws, a majority must be present. For all other business, the Board may, by a by-law, determine the quorum.

The Board of Managers shall make a full and complete triennial report to the General Convention, constituted as the Board of Missions, on or before the third day of the session of the General Convention, and a similar report to the Missionary Council at its annual meetings, comprising such an outline of the missionary work prosecuted during the preceding year as may serve to give a comprehensive view of the progress, prospects, and present condition of the work of the Society in the several parts of the Domestic and Foreign fields.

There shall be appointed at each meeting of the General Convention and of the Missionary Council a Committee consisting of two bishops, two presbyters, and two laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Board of Missions, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of work for the ensuing meeting of the Board of Missions or of the Missionary Council.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in Message No. 60 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on Canons.
[See p. 130.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 61.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, 'That in future editions of the Hymnal the hymn "My Country, 'tis of thee," commonly called "America," be inserted in its authorized form.

Attest : CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in Message No. 61 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Joint Commission on the Hymnal. [See p. 130.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 134 of the Digest] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 62.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Revised Canons be requested to amend or to recast the Canon governing the meetings of the two Houses as a Board of Missions (Title III., Canon 7, of 1892), so that no legislative action shall be had except by the concurrent action of the two Houses of the General Convention.

Attest : CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 62 from the House of Deputies.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware, this action was reconsidered ; and, on his further motion, the resolution contained in Message No. 62 was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 129.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 63.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Standard Prayer Book be directed to have fifty copies of the Standard Prayer Book now in its possession duly attested by the Committee and the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1892, and deposit the same with the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book for use in supplying new Dioceses and Missionary Districts with a duly certified copy of the Standard Prayer Book.

Attest : CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 63 from the House of Deputies.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 87] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 64.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 56, proposing an amendment to Article 5 of the Constitution, with the following amendment to the resolution therein contained, namely :

In the thirteenth line of Article 5 of the Constitution insert between the word "concerned" and the words "as well" the following: "and in the case of a Missionary District or Districts of the Bishop and Convocation of each"; so that it shall read as follows :

"No new diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts or parts of Districts, or any existing Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses or Districts, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, and, in the case of a Missionary District or Districts, of the Bishop and Convocation of each, as well as of the General Convention, and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated Diocese."

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion the resolution contained in Message No. 64 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 138.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 83, 121] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 65.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House concurs in Message No. 46 of the House of Bishops, consenting to the setting off of a Missionary Jurisdiction from the existing Diocese of Minnesota.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, it was voted that the House do now adjourn.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned.

FIFTEENTH DAY.

SATURDAY, October 19, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Spokane, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 124]:

REPORT NO. 11.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the resolution offered by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, proposing an amendment of Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1] (p. 79 of the Digest), respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1], be amended by adding in line 6 of said paragraph, after the words "whether Domestic or Foreign," the following words: "or in case a Missionary Jurisdiction shall not previously have been provided with a Missionary Bishop"; and after the words "vacancy or vacancies" in line 16, the words "or absence of provision."

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 79. See p. 148.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 96]:

REPORT NO. 4.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred the amendment to the Constitution proposed by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, providing for the setting off a portion of a Diocese as a Missionary District, respectfully reports that it recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That there be added to Article 5 of the Constitution the following, to wit:

"The General Convention may accept a cession of a part of the territorial jurisdiction of a Diocese, when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory shall consent thereto."

In behalf of the Committee,

O. W. WHITAKER, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 80. See p. 148.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 111]:

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred the resolution proposed by the Bishop of Pittsburgh, that the designation of the Senior Bishop of the House of Bishops be henceforth "Primate," respectfully reports that, in the judgment of the Committee, it is not expedient at this time to recommend such an amendment to the Constitution, and that perhaps the more proper reference would have been to the Committee on Rules of Order.

In behalf of the Committee,

O. W. WHITAKER, *Chairman.*

On motion, the foregoing report was accepted as the judgment of this House.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 120]:

REPORT NO. 12.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred Message No. 56 from the House of Deputies, proposing an amendment to Title III., Canon 2, § iii. [p. 126 of the Digest], respectfully report that they recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House do not concur with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 56, for the reason that it considers such action at present inexpedient.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman.*

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary.*

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 81. See p. 131.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 126, and p. 134 of the Digest]:

REPORT NO. 13.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the resolution contained in Message No. 62 from the House of Deputies, proposing that the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons be requested to amend or to recast the Canons governing the meetings of the two Houses as a Board of Missions (Title III., Canon 7 of 1892), so that no legislative action shall be had except by the concurrent action of the two Houses of the General Convention, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 62, with the omission of the words "to amend or to recast," and the substitution therefor of the words "to consider the advisability of amending or recasting."

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 82. See p. 142.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 125]:

REPORT NO. 14.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution adopted by the House of Deputies and communicated in Message No. 60, proposing an amendment to Title III., Canon 7, § i., Article IV., so that the sentence beginning on line 6 of page 136 of the Digest shall read "Said Council shall be competent to consider the missionary work of the Church, to make such recommendations to the Board of Managers as it may deem expedient, and to increase interest in the work of the Board of Missions," respectfully recommends the passage of the following resolution to wit:

Resolved, That this House concur with the amendment to Title III., Canon 7, § i., Article IV., as reported from the House of Deputies.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 83.]

The Bishop of Albany, from the Joint Commission on the Hymnal, presented the following report [see p. 126]:

The Joint Commission on the Hymnal, to which was referred the resolution with regard to the insertion in the Hymnal of the hymn, "My country," etc., respectfully reports, that on account of the expense involved, and the confusion which it would cause, the proposed action is inexpedient.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE.

T. U. DUDLEY.

J. S. B. HODGES.

J. S. BIDDLE.

H. W. NELSON, JR.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House do not concur in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 61 from the House of Deputies, and gives as its reason for non-concurrence those contained in the report of the Joint Commission on the Hymnal;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 84.]

The Bishop of Shanghai presented the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, in the "Handbook of the Church of England" no recognition is made of the separate jurisdiction of the American Bishop in China, the whole country being divided between the three English Bishops, the same failure to recognize our Mission being repeated in the published "Reports of the Boards of Missions of the Provinces of Canterbury and York"; and

WHEREAS, the first American Bishop of Shanghai was consecrated in 1844, while the first English Bishop of Mid-China was only consecrated in 1872; and

WHEREAS, the English Church has no work in the Lower Valley of the Yang-Tsz, where our work lies, except a small work at Shanghai;

Resolved, That the House of Bishops bring this matter before the Archbishop of Canterbury, in order that mistakes and misunderstandings may be prevented;

which, on motion of the Bishop of New York, were referred to the Committee appointed to suggest to the Archbishop of Canterbury subjects for discussion at the Lambeth Conference.

On motion of the Bishop of New York, the action of the House in adopting the resolution recommended by the Committee on Canons in its Report No. 12, with reference to the resolution contained in Message No. 56 from the House of Deputies [see p. 129], was reconsidered.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That Title III., Canon 2, § iii. [p. 126 of the Digest], be amended by adding the words "and when the Bishop, there being no Bishop Coadjutor, upon the testimony of sufficient medical authority approved by the unanimous judgment of the four neighboring Bishops convened for that purpose, is mentally disqualified for the performance of his duties, the Standing Committee, so long as said disqualification shall in the judgment of the Bishops aforesaid continue, shall also be the Ecclesiastical Authority for all purposes declared in these Canons;

which, with the resolution contained in Message No. 56 from the House of Deputies, was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Canons. [See pp. 120, 131.]

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, it was voted that this House does not concur with the resolution contained in Message No. 56 from the House of Deputies, for the reason that this House is in process of perfecting action in regard to the same subject.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 124] :

REPORT NO. 15.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the resolution contained in Message No. 59 from the House of Deputies, proposing amendments in Title I., Canon 7, § v., (b), and in Title I., Canon 10, § i., (a) [pp. 34 and 40 of the Digest], respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House do not concur with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolutions contained in its Message No. 59, on the ground that, in the judgment of this House, the proposed legislation would introduce unnecessary difficulties and delays in the way of ordination.

All which is respectfully submitted,
W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 85. See p. 149.]

The Bishop of Maine offered the following resolution [see p. 140 of the Digest]:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed in accordance with Title III., Canon 8, to nominate fifteen persons for election to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed as members of the Joint Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of New Jersey, and the Bishop of Texas. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 86. See p. 141.]

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution [see p. 119]:

Resolved, That this House reconsider its action of non-concurrence with the action of the House of Deputies in reference to binding the Prayer Book and the Hymnal together;

which was not adopted.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 73]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 66.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 41 from the House of Bishops, naming persons to be elected the Church University Board of Regents.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 117, 143] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 67.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it accedes to the request of the House of Bishops, communicated in its Message No. 74, requesting a Committee of Conference on Message No. 9 from the House of Bishops and Message No. 37 from the House of Deputies, touching proposed amendment of the Constitution ;

And the House of Deputies appoints as members of said Committee of Conference, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York, the Rev. Dr. Parks of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Atwater of Minnesota.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 121, 136] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 68.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it accedes to the request of the House of Bishops, communicated in its Message No. 77, requesting Committee of Conference on the relations of the two Houses in the matter of Messages ;

And the House of Deputies appoints as members of said Committee of Conference, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Elliott of Maryland, Mr. Temple of Vermont, and Mr. Merrick of Pennsylvania.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 118] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 69.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 76 from the House of Bishops, concerning discharge of the Committee of Conference in regard to Index and Digest of Journals, etc.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 109] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 70.

The House of Deputies herewith transmits to the House of Bishops the testimonials in favor of the Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe, Missionary Bishop-elect of Alaska.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the testimonials transmitted with Message No. 70 from the House of Deputies were referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. [See p. 142.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

At noon the Chairman of the House bade the Bishops to prayer for Missions.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Pastoral Letter was reported from the Council, and, on motion, it was adopted by the House.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 115] :

REPORT NO. 16.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution with reference to the Form of Certificate of Assent and Election in the case of the election of a Foreign Missionary Bishop, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § vii. [1] (page 67 of the Digest), be amended by the insertion of a "Form of Certificate of the Election of a Foreign Missionary Bishop" in place of that adopted by the General Convention of 1844, and still, for want of other provision, in force; so that the Canon, as amended, shall read :

The House of Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any Missionary station or stations of this Church out of the territory of the United States, which the House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, may have designated. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Deputies expressing their assent to the said nomination, which certificate shall be in the following form :

We whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the Reverend A. B., nominated by the House of Bishops to the House of Deputies for election to the Bishopric of the Missionary District of _____, as a suitable person to be elected a Bishop of this Church in foreign lands, has been duly and canonically elected by the House of Deputies a Bishop as aforesaid on this _____ day of _____ A.D. .

And we whose names are hereunto subscribed, members of the House of Deputies, do hereby testify that the said Reverend A. B., Missionary Bishop-elect of _____, is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report either for error in religion or for viciousness of life; and that we do not know or believe that there is any impediment on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, therefore, hereby severally signify our assent to the said nomination and election, humbly trusting that the consecration of the said Bishop-elect will conduce to the edification and enlargement of the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Done at _____ in General Convention of the Church in the United States, on this _____ day of _____ A.D. .

This certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 87. See p. 155.]

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The House proceeded to the further consideration of the proposed Canon of Marriage and Divorce [see p. 123]; and the question being on the substitute for Section II., offered by the Bishop of Vermont, it was not adopted.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Maryland, to wit, to strike out all of Section II., and insert the following:

In all cases of doubt as to pastoral duties arising under this Canon the godly council of the Bishop shall be sought and followed;

it was adopted.

The Bishop of Delaware offered the following amendment to Section II. as amended, to wit:

To add the words "*Provided*, however, that no minister shall in any case refuse the Sacraments to a penitent person in imminent danger of death";

which was not adopted.

The question being on Section II. as amended, the Bishop of Quincy offered the following amendment, to wit:

To insert after the word "doubt" the words "as to the facts or";

which was adopted.

The question recurring on Section II. as amended, it was adopted.

The question being on the Canon as amended, to wit:

OF MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

SECTION 1. No Minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife still living; but this prohibition shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery, or to parties once divorced from each other seeking to be united again. The evidence of adultery must be found in the records of the court.

On motion, the testimonials transmitted with Message No. 70 from the House of Deputies were referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. [See p. 142.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

At noon the Chairman of the House bade the Bishops to prayer for Missions.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Pastoral Letter was reported from the Council, and, on motion, it was adopted by the House.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 115]:

REPORT NO. 16.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution with reference to the Form of Certificate of Assent and Election in the case of the election of a Foreign Missionary Bishop, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § vii. [1] (page 67 of the Digest), be amended by the insertion of a "Form of Certificate of the Election of a Foreign Missionary Bishop" in place of that adopted by the General Convention of 1844, and still, for want of other provision, in force; so that the Canon, as amended, shall read:

The House of Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any Missionary station or stations of this Church out of the territory of the United States, which the House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, may have designated. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Deputies expressing their assent to the said nomination, which certificate shall be in the following form:

We whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the Reverend A. B., nominated by the House of Bishops to the House of Deputies for election to the Bishopric of the Missionary District of _____, as a suitable person to be elected a Bishop of this Church in foreign lands, has been duly and canonically elected by the House of Deputies a Bishop as aforesaid on this _____ day of _____ A.D. .

And we whose names are hereunto subscribed, members of the House of Deputies, do hereby testify that the said Reverend A. B., Missionary Bishop-elect of _____, is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report either for error in religion or for viciousness of life; and that we do not know or believe that there is any impediment on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, therefore, hereby severally signify our assent to the said nomination and election, humbly trusting that the consecration of the said Bishop-elect will conduce to the edification and enlargement of the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Done at _____ in General Convention of the Church in the United States, on this _____ day of _____ A.D. .

This certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest :

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 87. See p. 155.]

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The House proceeded to the further consideration of the proposed Canon of Marriage and Divorce [see p. 123]; and the question being on the substitute for Section II., offered by the Bishop of Vermont, it was not adopted.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Maryland, to wit, to strike out all of Section II., and insert the following :

In all cases of doubt as to pastoral duties arising under this Canon the godly council of the Bishop shall be sought and followed;

it was adopted.

The Bishop of Delaware offered the following amendment to Section II. as amended, to wit :

To add the words “ *Provided*, however, that no minister shall in any case refuse the Sacraments to a penitent person in imminent danger of death ” ;

which was not adopted.

The question being on Section II. as amended, the Bishop of Quincy offered the following amendment, to wit :

To insert after the word “ doubt ” the words “ as to the facts or ” ;
which was adopted.

The question recurring on Section II. as amended, it was adopted.

The question being on the Canon as amended, to wit :

OF MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

SECTION 1. No Minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife still living; but this prohibition shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery, or to parties once divorced from each other seeking to be united again. The evidence of adultery must be found in the records of the court.

SEC. 2. In all cases of doubt as to the facts, or as to pastoral duties arising under this Canon, godly council of the Bishop shall be sought and followed;

the Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Canon of Marriage and Divorce, as amended, be referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Massachusetts offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That Title II., Canon 13, Of Marriage and Divorce (p. 120 of the Digest), be amended by omitting § i., and changing the numbers of the following sections, and by omitting the words "Word of God and" in § iii.;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 138.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 131] :

REPORT NO. 17.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred Message No. 56 from the House of Deputies, together with a resolution offered by the Bishop of New York, respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xiv. [2] (p. 75 of the Digest), be amended by adding after the words "judicial sentence," these words following, to wit: "or of mental infirmity assured by the judgment of four neighboring Bishops convened for the purpose, and acting upon the testimony of sufficient medical authority"; so that the paragraph as amended shall read :

[2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence or of mental infirmity assured by the judgment of four neighboring Bishops convened for the purpose and acting upon the testimony of sufficient medical authority, may, by its Convention, be placed under provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop," etc.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest :

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 88. See p. 156.]

The Bishop of Quincy, from the Committee of Conference on the Relations of the two Houses in the matter of Messages, presented the following report [see p. 133] :

The Committee of Conference on the Relations of the two Houses in the matter of Messages, respectfully report that there does not seem to

the Committee that there is any occasion for proposing action upon the subject.

On behalf of the Committee,

ALEX. BURGESS.

JOHN H. ELLIOTT.

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the title of "Primus" be substituted in the Rules of Order of this House for the title of "Presiding Bishop," when the said title refers to the Senior Bishop by consecration of the Church.

The Bishop of Delaware moved that the word "Primate" be substituted in place of the word "Primus"; which was adopted.

The question being on the resolution as amended, it was not adopted.

The Bishop of Central Pennsylvania offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be a Standing Rule that the Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops be printed and laid on the desk of each Bishop three days before the adjournment of the General Convention;

which, on motion of the Bishop of New York, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order.

The Bishop of Nebraska offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That with the Pastoral Letter read and accepted by this House of Bishops there shall be printed the last paragraph of Title I., Canon 20, § iii. (p. 82 of the Digest), to wit: "And it is hereby made the duty of every clergyman having a pastoral charge, when any such Letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship";

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Nevada, Utah, and Western Colorado asked to be excused from further attendance at the present session; which request was, on motion, granted:

The Bishop of Chicago offered the following resolution ;

Resolved, That this House proceed on Monday next to elect by ballot a Committee of five Bishops on the Pastoral Letter of 1898, vacancies by death or resignation to be filled by appointment of the Presiding Bishop of this Church :

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order. [See p. 146.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That in the judgment of this House it is not competent for any minister of this Church to celebrate the marriage of a divorced person without such inquiry as shall sufficiently conform to the require-

ments of the Canon of Marriage and Divorce, and sufficiently protect the rights of all parties concerned in the case; and that marriages celebrated without these safeguards merit the explicit reprobation of this House;

which was adopted.

On motion, it was voted that the House do now adjourn.

The Bishop of Missouri pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

SIXTEENTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 21, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Southern Florida, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of Saturday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 127]:

REPORT NO. 6.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 64 from the House of Deputies, informing the House of Bishops that it concurred in an amendment proposed to Article 5 of the Constitution, but with the insertion of certain words, respectfully reports that, as the insertion of the words expresses more clearly the purpose of the amendment proposed, it recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in its action reported in Message No. 64.

O. W. WHITAKER, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted by a rising vote; but, reconsideration being ordered, it was referred back to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 146.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 136]:

REPORT NO. 18.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Massachusetts, providing that Title II., Canon 13, of Marriage and Divorce (p. 120 of the Digest), be amended by omitting

§ i. and changing the numbers of the following sections, and by omitting the words "Word of God and" in § iii., respectfully report that, in their judgment, it is inexpedient to take further action in this matter at the present Convention, and that they recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution referred to them; and, inasmuch as the whole subject of the Canon of Marriage and Divorce has been referred to the Commission on the Revision of the Canons, it is inexpedient at this late time to attempt any change in the present Canon.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of Chicago offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That all references to particular portions of the Constitution and Canons in the Journal, be made by page as well as by Title, Canon, etc.;

which was adopted.

The Chairman announced the appointment of the Bishop of Western Michigan, the Bishop of Western Missouri, and the Bishop of North Carolina, to act with the Bishop of Newark on the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, other members of the Committee being absent.

The Bishop of Albany, from the Joint Commission on the Hymnal, presented the following report:

The Commission on the Hymnal, in conformity with the instructions contained in the concurrent resolution under which it was empowered, has superintended the publication of the Hymnal and secured the royalty upon it.

The completed work of the Commission has been in the hands of the Church for three years, to the enrichment, as we believe it will be generally conceded, of her services. Retaining the best hymns of the old collection, together with a number of those that were specially endeared to many persons by their associations, it has brought into use new material, the beauty and wide adaptability of which are more and more being recognized; it has provided an arrangement not only under the several headings but within them, that is natural and consistent; it has grouped the hymns, whenever possible, according to subjects, and it has improved much of the old material by better and truer readings.

Without expressing any judgment or desiring to do so, the Commission conceive that it would not be altogether true to its duty if it did not call attention to the fact that one musical edition of the Hymnal has departed from the report of the Commission as adopted, in the matter of the omission of some of the headings and of the lists of references by first lines.

Of the resolutions referred to it by the Convention of 1892, the Commission reports, in one case, that it deems it advisable to adhere to its use of the twofold form of the human name of our Blessed Lord, on the

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, the resolution contained in Message No. 74 from the House of Deputies, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 150.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 130] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 15th day of the Session,
October 19, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 75.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in adopting the amendment proposed by the House of Bishops in its Message No. 82, to the resolution contained in Message No. 62 from the House of Deputies, as to Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary.*

The Bishop of Newark, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following report [see p. 134] :

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 70 from the House of Deputies, transmitting the testimonials in favor of the Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe, Missionary Bishop-elect of Alaska, report that such testimonials are in conformity with the canonical requirements, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, to wit :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops consents to the consecration of the Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe as a Bishop of this Church, to exercise episcopal functions in the Missionary Jurisdiction of Alaska, for which he has been elected, and requests the Presiding Bishop to take order for his consecration.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to communicate to the Board of Managers information of the election of the Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe to be Missionary Bishop of Alaska.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inform the Bishop-elect of his election.

THOMAS A. STARKEY, *Bishop of Newark.*

GEO. D. GILLESPIE, *Bishop of Western Michigan.*

EDWARD R. ATWILL, *Bishop of West Missouri.*

JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, JR., *Bishop of North Carolina.*

On motion, the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee were severally adopted.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, and the Bishop of Michigan, as the Committee to notify the Bishop-elect of his election. [See p. 159.]

The Bishop of Western New York, from the Committee of Conference on the non-concurrent action of the two Houses in regard to proposed amendments to Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 133] :

The Committee of Conference on the disagreements of the two Houses of this Convention, respecting the amendments to Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution, as communicated in Messages 37 and 74 of the House of Bishops, unanimously report, as the result of their conference, a recommendation that the following resolution be adopted by both Houses :

Resolved, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution the following :

CONSTITUTIONS.

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Convention must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdictions and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Convention, or, for its own needs, by the House of Bishops, and shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be relieved from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese, so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one order only, such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the General Convention.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dio-

cases represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House: *Provided*, however, that if it shall appear that a constitutional quorum of the House has not voted, the Presiding Officer shall declare that there has been no vote of the House; and in such a case the question may be again put to the House when a quorum shall be present, at any time before the final adjournment of the Convention then in session.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Convention shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands, convened by proper ecclesiastical authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at such place as shall have been determined on by the Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Convention.

In behalf of the Committee,

A. CLEVELAND COXE.
E. A. HOFFMAN.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee of Conference was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 89. See p. 147.]

The Bishop of Western New York, from the Commission on Christian Unity, presented the following report:

The Commission on Christian Unity respectfully submits herewith its entire correspondence.

It has also had under consideration the Memorial from the Diocese of Indiana, praying that your Commission be instructed to issue again circular letters inviting the assembly of a General Conference to consider the questions connected with Christian Unity; said Conference to have for the basis of its consideration the Declaration of the House of Bishops of 1886.

Your Commission is of the opinion that the agitation of the questions connected with Christian Unity has done untold good in attracting the thought of the age to the evil and the sin of schism, and in arousing discussion concerning methods to put an end to strife and division amongst men who profess to follow the Prince of Peace, Who hath taught us that the Church is His one Body.

Your Commission does not deem it necessary that it should repeat at this time what has already been done in calling men everywhere to return to the primitive Faith and Order of the Church, as exhibited in the age when there was no visible division, when there was one Faith, and substantial unity in her Polity everywhere.

Your Commission does not deem it necessary to ask for any enlargement of its powers. It thinks it best to content itself with a reassertion

of the fact that the existence of this Commission is a continuing declaration that the way is open, and will be kept unimpeded, for conference with any and all who seek with us the healing of the wounds of the Body of Christ, and desire brotherly conference with a view to the study of the conditions that will bring peace and unity.

If we have the unique position assigned to us by De Maistre, then our responsibilities and duties are commensurate with our faculties.

Our task is difficult and fraught with perils. But God has made this Church His instrument for moving the mind and heart of Christendom; we believe that by His Blessed Spirit, this Church may be made His agency for vitalizing with catholicity, and bringing into organic unity, all our fellow-Christians who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity and are willing to study and to follow His precepts.

Your Commission offer the following resolutions, and ask their adoption:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Christian Unity be continued under its previous instructions, to hold itself ready for conference with any and all similar commissions or committees appointed by Bodies of Christians seeking the unity of the Church, the basis of such conferences to be the principles enunciated throughout the Declaration of the House of Bishops made at Chicago in 1886, and as reaffirmed by the Lambeth Conference of 1888.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Christian Unity be discharged from the further consideration of the Memorial from the Diocese of Indiana.

A. CLEVELAND COXE.
GEO. D. GILLESPIE.
THOS. F. DAVIES.
THOS. F. GAILOR.
HERMAN C. DUNCAN.
CHAUNCEY B. BREWSTER.
GEO. C. McWHORTER.
EDMUND H. BENNETT.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the report of the Commission were severally adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 92. See pp. 155, 157, and Appendix XI.]

The Bishop of Western New York offered his resignation as Chairman of the Commission; which, on motion of the Bishop of New York, was laid on the table.

The Bishop of New York moved that the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Chicago be added to the Commission.

On motion of the Bishop of Springfield, the Bishop of Western New York was instructed to cast the ballot for the Bishops so nominated. The Bishop of Western New York having cast the ballot accordingly, the Chairman announced that the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Chicago had been duly elected as additional members of the Joint Commission on Christian Unity. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 93.]

The Bishop of Iowa presented the report of the Joint Commission on Archives. [See Appendix XVII.]

The Bishop of Iowa, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see pp. 122, 137]:

REPORT No. 8.

The Committee on Rules of Order, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Western Michigan proposing an addition to Rule of Order III., that "the Committee on the Pastoral Letter shall be appointed at the previous General Convention, and said appointment shall be by ballot";

And to which was also referred a further resolution offered by the Bishop of Chicago, providing for the election by ballot of a Committee on the Pastoral Letter of 1898, respectfully report that, in their judgment, such proposed legislation is at present unadvised, especially as, in their view, the proposed ballot could only properly be taken in a full House. All which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY.
ELLISON CAPERS.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p.138]:

REPORT No. 7.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 64 from the House of Deputies, respecting an Amendment to Article 5 of the Constitution providing for the organization of new Dioceses, respectfully reports that in its opinion all ambiguity in the wording of the Amendment would be removed by substituting the words "and in no case without" in place of the words "as well as," and recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concurs with the House of Deputies in the action reported in Message No. 64, but with the amendment that the words "as well as" in the ninth line from the end of the Message be stricken out, and the words "and in no case without" be inserted in their place, making the sentence read "and in no case without the consent of the General Convention."

O. W. WHITAKER, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 90. See p. 156.]

The Bishop of Vermont, from the Committee on Religious Services, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on Religious Services recommend the adoption, the Bishop of Minnesota consenting, of the following order for the closing service of the General Convention:

Hymn 490, "Glorious things of thee are spoken"; the Nicene Creed; "Lord, have mercy," etc.; the Lord's Prayer; the Collect "Direct us, O Lord"; the Collect for the week; the Prayer before the laying-on of hands in the Ordination of Priests (slightly altered); Hymn 485, "I love thy kingdom, Lord"; the reading of the Pastoral Letter; the Te Deum; the Prayer for Missions; the Prayer at the end of the Institution Office (slightly altered); the Blessing; Hymn 487, "Rise, crowned with light."

On motion, the order of Service recommended by the Committee was adopted.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the report of the Joint Commission on Swedish Orders. [See pp. 99, 153.]

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the further consideration of the subject was postponed until the next General Convention.

The hour of noon having arrived, the Chairman bade the House to prayer for Missions.

The Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 152] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 76.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed, upon the part of this House, on the Committee to certify the changes in the Canons, the Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee and Mr. Ingalls of Maine.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 122] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 77.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concur with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 78, consenting to the setting off as a Missionary District that part of the State of North Carolina lying west of the eastern line of the counties of Allegheny, Wilkes, Alexander, Catawba, Lincoln, and Gaston, by a line running from the State line of Virginia to that of South Carolina.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 144] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 78.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received the report of the Committee of Conference respecting the proposed amendments to Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution, and has adopted the resolution contained in said report, in concurrence with the action of the House of Bishops communicated in its Message No. 89.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 128]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 79.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 79, with amendments, so that Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1], shall read as follows:

§ xvi. [1]. If during the recess of the General Convention, and more than six months previous to its session, any vacancy arise, either by death, resignation, or other cause, in the office of any Missionary Bishop of this Church (whether Domestic or Foreign), or in case the General Convention shall have, by concurrent resolution, given consent to the election during said recess of a Missionary Bishop for a designated Missionary Jurisdiction, the House of Bishops shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention; and thereupon may proceed to fill any and every such vacancy that may then exist, by electing a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions within the district, country, territory, station, or jurisdiction, where such vacancy or vacancies may exist; and in case of such election, they shall, by the Presiding Bishop, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the fact of such election to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses; and each Standing Committee that shall consent to the proposed consecration shall forward the evidence of such consent to the Presiding Bishop or Bishop as aforesaid. And if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Presiding or other Bishop as aforesaid shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States (excepting those whose resignation has been accepted); and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to perform the same.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in Message No. 79 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 150.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 128]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 80.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the House of Bishops, in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 80, touching proposed amendment of Article 5 of the Constitution.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 132] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 81.

The House of Deputies respectfully requests a Committee of Conference on Message No. 85 from the House of Bishops, declining to concur in Message No. 59 from the House of Deputies, touching the proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 7, § v., (b) and Title I., Canon 10, § i., (a);

And the House of Deputies appoints as members of said Committee of Conference, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee, the Rev. Dr. Blanchard of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Fairbanks of Florida.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House acceded to the request of the House of Deputies; and the Chairman appointed, as members of the Committee of Conference on the part of this House, the Bishop of Western Michigan, the Bishop of Montana, the Bishop of East Carolina. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 95. See p. 158.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 119] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 82.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it respectfully requests of the House of Bishops a Committee of Conference on Message No. 73 of that House, relating to the binding of the Hymnal with the Prayer Book.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House acceded to the request of the House of Deputies; and the Chairman appointed as members of the Committee of Conference, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of New York, and the Bishop of Florida. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 96. See pp. 154, 159.]

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The Bishop of Maine, from the Joint Committee appointed to nominate Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund, presented the following report [see pp. 132, 141] :

The Joint Committee appointed to nominate fifteen persons to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, nominate the following-named persons for election as such Trustees: the

Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix, the Rev. Dr. Edwin Harwood, the Rev. Dr. Clinton Locke, the Rev. Dr. R. H. McKim, the Rev. Dr. W. S. Langford, Mr. Elihu Chauncey, Mr. William Alexander Smith, Mr. Stephen P. Nash, Mr. Robert Treat Paine, and Mr. George C. Thomas.

HENRY A. NEELY, *Chairman*.

On motion, the persons nominated in the report of the Committee were elected Trustees of the Fund. [See p. 157.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 142]:

REPORT NO. 19.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred Message No. 74 from the House of Deputies, respectfully recommend that they be discharged from further consideration of this matter, as they are not prepared to recommend any action thereon.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the Committee on Canons was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 148]:

REPORT NO. 20.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred Message No. 79 from the House of Deputies, respectfully report that they recommend that the House of Bishops recede from their action and that this House adopt the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops recede from their action proposing amendments to Title I., Canon 16, § xvi. [1], and concur with the House of Deputies on the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 79.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

Attest:

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 97.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, as senior Bishop of the Joint Committee on the Provincial System, reported progress, and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Provincial System be continued;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 102. See p. 160.]

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes that portion of the State of Minnesota lying north of the south line of the counties of Big Stone, Stevens, Pope, Stearns, Benton, Mille Lacs, Kanabec, and Pine, a Missionary District to be known as the Missionary District of Duluth.

Resolved, That said Missionary District, until provided with a Bishop of its own, be placed under the charge of the Bishop of Minnesota.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to communicate information of this action of the House to the House of Deputies.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That consent be given to the House of Bishops to elect, at any time during the recess of the General Convention, a Bishop of this Church to exercise episcopal functions in the Missionary Jurisdiction of Duluth.

On motion, the first resolution offered by the Bishop of Missouri was adopted.

The question being on the second resolution, the Bishop of Minnesota moved, as an amendment, to substitute the following :

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested, in accordance with the provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [3] [p. 65 of the Digest], to take charge of said Missionary District, until provided with a Bishop of its own ;

which was adopted.

The question being on the second resolution, as amended, it was adopted.

On motion, the third resolution was adopted.

On motion, the fourth resolution was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 97. See p. 156.]

The Bishop of North Carolina offered the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes that portion of the State of North Carolina, which, by the action of the present General Convention, has been accepted as missionary territory, a Missionary District to be called the Missionary District of Asheville.

Resolved, That the House of Deputies be informed of the foregoing action of this House.

Resolved, That the House proceed to nominate a Missionary Bishop to exercise jurisdiction within the said Missionary District.

The question being on the first resolution offered by the Bishop of North Carolina, the Bishop of Kentucky, at the request of the Bishop of North Carolina, moved to strike out the word "Asheville" and substitute in its place the words "West Carolina"; which was not adopted.

The question recurring on the first resolution, it was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution was adopted.

The question being on the third resolution, the Bishop of Quincy moved, as an amendment, to substitute the following :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That consent be given to the House of Bishops to elect, at any time during the recess of the General Convention, a Bishop of this Church to exercise episcopal functions in the Missionary Jurisdiction of Asheville;

which was adopted.

The question recurring on the third resolution, as thus amended, it was adopted.

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Missionary District of Asheville until provided with a Bishop of its own be placed under the charge of the Bishop of North Carolina.

The Bishop of Maryland moved, as an amendment, to substitute the following :

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested, in accordance with Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [3] [p. 65 of the Digest], to take charge of said Missionary District, until provided with a Bishop of its own;

which was adopted.

The question being on the resolution as thus amended, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 98. See p. 159.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 147] :

REPORT No. 21.

The Committee on Canons respectfully report that they have selected from their number the Bishop of Iowa and the Bishop of East Carolina to certify, in connection with a Committee from the House of Deputies, the changes made in the Canons at this session. They further ask that their appointment, if confirmed, be communicated to the House of Deputies.

W. E. McLAREN, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, the appointments reported by the Committee were confirmed, and the Secretary was instructed to communicate the appointments to the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 94.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 141] :

REPORT No. 8.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 71 of the House of Deputies, proposing to add the following words to the second paragraph of Article 5 of the Constitution, "And also of the consent to the erection of such Diocese of a majority of the parishes or congregations in union with the Diocesan Convention, or of the parishes or congregations canonically constituted

in a Missionary Jurisdiction within the territory of the proposed new Diocese," reports that it recommends the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the amendment to Article 5 of the Constitution reported in Message No. 71.

O. W. WHITAKER, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 101.]

The Bishop of Iowa offered the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Swedish Orders be continued; and that the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota be added to the Commission as an additional member on the part of this House;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 103. See p. 160.]

The following preamble and resolution were reported to the House from the Bishops in Council :

WHEREAS, The attention of the House of Bishops has been called to some recent instances of irregular and ill-advised action in connection with the marriage of divorced persons;

Resolved, That the House of Bishops puts on record the expression of its sorrow that any occasion of scandal has arisen, and its earnest urgency that the Bishops will realize the importance of the most extreme carefulness alike in the fact and as to the manner of the discharging of their functions as Ordinances, and that the other clergy will realize the necessity of the utmost caution in the matter of the marriage of divorced persons;

which were adopted.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution [see pp. 56, 58] :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Secretaries of the two Houses be instructed to postpone the work of a special indexing to the Journal of the General Convention and the Digest of the Canons till action has been had upon matters committed to the Joint Commission on the revision of the Canons;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 100. See p. 160.]

On motion, it was voted that the House do now adjourn.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 22, 1895.

The House met after Morning Prayer and Litany, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Oklahoma, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of New York, on behalf of the Bishops who were the guests of the Bishop of Minnesota at Faribault on Saturday, the 13th instant, presented to the Bishop of Minnesota a silver vase, suitably inscribed. The Bishop of Minnesota made a reply to the address of presentation.

The Chairman presented a communication from the Presiding Bishop, resigning his position as a member of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons; and, on motion, the resignation was accepted.

The Bishop of New York nominated the Bishop of Chicago to fill the vacancy on the Commission; and, on motion, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for the Bishop of Chicago. The Secretary having reported that he had cast the ballot, the Chairman announced that the Bishop of Chicago had been chosen to fill the vacancy on the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 115.]

On motion, the Presiding Bishop was added as Chairman to the Joint Commission to consult with the Archbishop of Canterbury as to subjects to be brought before the Lambeth Conference. [See p. 25.]

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution [see p. 79 of the Digest]:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring. That the amendment to Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1], adopted by concurrent vote of the two Houses, take effect at the time of its passage;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 104. See p. 152.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 149, 159]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 83.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed as members, on its part, of the Committee of Conference on the binding of the Hymnal with the Prayer Book, the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Western New York, Mr. Morgan of New York, and Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 145]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 84.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolutions communicated in its Message No. 92, concerning the Commission on Christian Unity.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 85.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Board of Managers be directed to require, except when reasons satisfactory to the Board can be produced, that every Missionary Jurisdiction shall contribute towards the support of its Bishop in such proportion that the Board of Managers shall be enabled, every three years, to reduce the sum contributed by it towards the salary of such Bishop by at least \$500.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the resolution contained in Message No. 85 from the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions. [See p. 160.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 135, and p. 67 of the Digest; see also pp. 154, 161]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 86.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 87, amending Title I., Canon 19, § vii. [1].

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 140] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 87.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 91, touching powers of the Joint Commission on the Hymnal.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 146] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 88.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the amendment, proposed in Message No. 90 from the House of Bishops, to the resolution contained in Message No. 64 from the House of Deputies, touching proposed amendment of Article 5 of the Constitution.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 151] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 89.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 97, concerning Missionary District of Duluth, etc.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 136, and p. 75 of the Digest] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 90.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 88, proposing to amend Title I., Canon 19, § xiv. [2], and asks for a Committee of Conference.

The House of Deputies appoints as members of such Committee of Conference, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee, Mr. Stiness of Rhode Island, and Mr. Stark of Connecticut.

Attest: CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the House acceded to the foregoing request for a Committee of Conference ; and the Chairman appointed as members of said Committee, on the part of this

House, the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of East Carolina, and the Bishop of Kentucky. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 105. See p. 162.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 145] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 91.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed, as additional members on its part of the Joint Commission on Christian Unity, the Rev. Mr. Bennitt of Newark, the Rev. Mr. Harrison of Springfield, Mr. Temple of Vermont, and Mr. Forsyth of Louisiana.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 157] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 92.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has elected, on the report of the Joint Committee to nominate, the following persons to be, the House of Bishops concurring, Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen: the Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of New York, the Rev. Dr. Dix, the Rev. Dr. Langford, Mr. Stephen P. Nash, Mr. William Alexander Smith, Mr. Elihu Chauncey, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Harwood, the Rev. Dr. Locke, the Rev. Dr. McKim, Mr. George C. Thomas, and Mr. Robert T. Paine.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 92 from the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 106.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 103] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 93.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 62, erecting the Missionary District of Northern Texas into a Diocese.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Maine, from the Committee on Memorials and Petitions, presented the following report [see pp. 86, 110] :

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Memorials and Petitions have had before them since their former report :

1. A paper signed by a communicant of the Church, describing and commending the methods and work of the Society of Christian Endeavor, and asking for some recognition of it by this Convention. With respect to this, we would say that while acknowledging that much good may be accomplished by such an organization, and that membership in it, or co-operation with it by individuals, may not be inconsistent with a loyal adherence to the Church, we are not prepared to recommend a formal recognition by the Church of a Society over which it can exercise no control.

2. A suggestion of a Canon on Marriage by a Presbyter of the Diocese of Maryland, the suggestion being that the marriage of Church people should in all cases be performed by clergy of the Church. The Committee would recommend that this be referred, in connection with the Canon on Marriage and Divorce, to the Commission on Revision of Constitutions and Canons.

3. A letter addressed to an individual member of this House, together with several printed documents referring to the Chinese Exclusion Act, asking that our Church at this most important Convention will record itself in no uncertain way upon this question of the treatment of at least one hundred and fifty thousand Chinese in this land, etc.

4. A resolution recently passed in the Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, with a resolution proposed for adoption by this Convention, proposing a tribute to the memory of General Washington on the hundredth anniversary of his death.

H. A. NEELY, *Chairman.*

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee that a suggestion of a Canon on Marriage by a Presbyter of the Diocese of Maryland be referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitutions and Canons, was adopted.

On motion, the resolution with reference to the commemoration of the hundredth anniversary of the death of General Washington, was referred to the Church University Board of Regents.

The Bishop of Georgia, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, reported that the Committee found no unfinished business requiring the action of the House.

The Bishop of Western Michigan, from a Committee of Conference [see p. 149], presented the following report :

The Committee of Conference on the disagreement between the two Houses as to a proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 7, § v. [b], and Title I., Canon 10, § i. [a] [pp. 34 and 40 of the Digest], respectfully report that in their judgment, owing to the lateness of the time, it would be unadvisable to attempt to secure further consideration of the subject. They, therefore, offer the following :

Resolved, That the subject be referred to the Joint Commission on Revision of the Canons.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. D. GILLESPIE,
F. P. DAVENPORT,

For the Committee.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, from the Committee appointed to notify the Bishop-elect of Alaska of his election, reported that the Committee had attended to the duties of its appointment, and that the Bishop-elect had accepted the election.

The Bishop of Georgia offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That to the citizens of Minneapolis and St. Paul this House extends its sincere acknowledgment of manifold courtesies received ; to our fellow Churchmen we offer our thanks for their cordial reception and abundant hospitality ; and to the Committee of Arrangements we present our high commendation of its most successful effort to supply every comfort and convenience for the prosecution of the work of this Convention ; and we depart with a benediction upon the bishops, clergy, congregations, and people of Minnesota, whose earnest co-operation has made this one of the notable Conventions of the American Church ;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Georgia offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the vote of this House in reference to the place of meeting of the next General Convention be reconsidered ;

which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Maine, from a Committee of Conference [see p. 149], presented the following report :

The undersigned, as members of the Joint Committee of Conference to whom was referred Message No. 82 from the House of Deputies asking for such Committee in the matter of the binding of the Hymnal with the Prayer Book, beg leave to report that they unanimously recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That this House hereby recedes from its action in the matter of Message No. 82 from the House of Deputies, and concurs in the action of that House.

H. A. NEELY.
H. C. POTTER.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 107.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 152] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 94.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops, in adopting the third resolution contained in its Message No. 98, giving consent to the House of Bishops to elect a Missionary Bishop of Asheville during the recess.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 153] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 95.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops, in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 100, postponing the work of indexing the Journal and Digest.

Attest : CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 150] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 96.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops, in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 102, continuing the Joint Committee on the Provincial System.

Attest : CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 153] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 97.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 103, continuing the Joint Committee on the Orders of the Church of Sweden.

Attest : CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania offered a resolution that the Committee on the Formation of Missionary Jurisdictions into Dioceses be discharged ; which was adopted.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be affectionately and gratefully given to the Secretary and the Assistant Secretaries of this House, for their service, swift, serene, and courteous, prompt, able, and accurate, as it has invariably been, throughout this entire session ;

which was adopted.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Missouri, from the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following report [see p. 155] :

REPORT NO. 7.

The Committee on Domestic Missions, to whom was referred Message No. 85 of the House of Deputies, begs leave to submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do not concur in the adoption of the resolution contained in said Message, and ask for a Committee of

Conference, for the reason that, while affirming its approbation of the principle communicated in the Message, it desires a modification and re-statement of the proposed action.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted; and the Chairman appointed as members of the Committee of Conference, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Colorado and the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 109. See p. 163.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Constitution, proposed at the last General Convention, and made known to the Dioceses, be finally agreed to and ratified in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, to wit:

In place of Article 8 of the Constitution, substitute the following:

ARTICLE 8.

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments and Other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer or other Offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be first proposed in one General Convention, by the vote of a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by the vote of a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, and by a resolve of the General Convention made known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention in the same manner in which it was proposed; *Provided*, however, that the General Convention shall have power from time to time to amend the Lectionary; but no act for this purpose shall be valid, which is not voted for by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies;

which was adopted by a rising vote. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 108. See p. 164.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 80 of the Digest]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 98.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, be amended by the addition of the following as § xvii.:

§ xvii. This Canon shall take effect immediately.

Attest:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Rules of Order to consider and report to this House at its next meeting what action, if any, may wisely be taken to restore and conserve those usages and traditions in connection with the transaction of the business of the House, especially in connection with its relations with the House of Deputies, which shall best promote the orderly and dignified transaction of the business of the General Convention ;

which was adopted.

On motion, it was voted that the House do now adjourn without day.

The Bishop of Minnesota pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned without day.

WILLIAM CROSWELL DOANE, *Chairman*.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

HOUSE OF DEPUTIES.

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¹ Taking the place of Mr. Reeves on the 8th day of the session.

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¹ Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Oakes on the 12th day of the session.

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¹ Taking the place of Mr. Hardcastle on the 5th day of the session.² Taking the place of Mr. Zerler on the 10th day of the session.

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" C. Graham Adams, D.D., <i>Jeffersonville.</i>	" John S. Irwin, M.D., LL.D., <i>Fort Wayne.</i>
" J. Hilliard Ranger, ¹ <i>Indianapolis.</i>	" A. Q. Jones, <i>Indianapolis.</i>
" James D. Stanley, <i>Terre Haute.</i>	" Gilbert S. Wright, <i>Evansville.</i>

DIOCESE OF IOWA.

The Rev. Francis E. Judd, D.D., <i>Marengo.</i>	Mr. T. D. Engal, <i>Davenport.</i>
" J. J. Wilkins, D.D., <i>Des Moines.</i>	" F. G. Thomas, <i>Mooar.</i>
" Thomas E. Green, D.D., <i>Cedar Rapids.</i>	" Samuel Mahon, <i>Ottumwa.</i>
" George H. Cornell, <i>Sioux City.</i>	" George F. Henry, <i>Des Moines.</i>

DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

The Rev. A. Beatty, D.D., <i>Newton.</i>	Mr. H. W. Gleason, <i>Hutchinson.</i>
" N. S. Thomas, <i>Leavenworth.</i>	" C. P. Skinner, <i>Ottawa.</i>
" Alfred Brown, <i>Hutchinson.</i>	" E. E. Stimpson, <i>Lawrence.</i>
" John Bennett, <i>Fort Scott.</i>	" W. C. Allen, <i>Ottawa.</i>

DIOCESE OF KENTUCKY.

The Rev. E. T. Perkins, D.D., <i>Louisville.</i>	Mr. William A. Robinson, <i>Louisville.</i>
" E. H. Ward, D.D., <i>Lexington.</i>	" R. Wells Covington, <i>Bowling Green.</i>
" P. A. Fitts, D.D., <i>Henderson.</i>	" C. F. Johnson, <i>Louisville.</i>
" L. W. Burton, <i>Louisville.</i>	" F. P. Wolcott, <i>Covington.</i>

¹Deceased since the Convention.

DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND.

The Rev. Reese F. Alsop, D.D., <i>Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>	Mr. John A. King, <i>Great Neck, N. Y.</i>
" Chauncey B. Brewster, <i>Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>	" William Nicoll, <i>Islip, N. Y.</i>
" T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., <i>Flatbush Sta., Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>	" N. Pendleton Schenck, <i>Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>
" George F. Breed, <i>Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>	" Henry E. Pierrepont, <i>Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>

DIOCESE OF LOUISIANA.

The Rev. Herman C. Duncan, D.D., <i>Alexandria.</i>	Mr. James McConnell, <i>New Orleans.</i>
" Wm. K. Douglas, D.D., <i>St. Francisville.</i>	" G. R. Westfeldt, <i>New Orleans.</i>
" Henry H. Waters, D.D., <i>New Orleans.</i>	" H. D. Forsyth, <i>New Orleans.</i>
" John Percival, D.D., <i>New Orleans.</i>	" Henry C. Minor, <i>Houma.</i>

DIOCESE OF MAINE.

The Rev. C. Morton Sills, D.D., <i>Portland.</i>	Mr. Henry Ingalls, <i>Wiscasset.</i>
" C. S. Leffingwell, <i>Bar Harbor.</i>	" John Marshall Brown, <i>Portland.</i>
" Charles F. Sweet, <i>Presque Isle.</i>	" P. J. Carleton, <i>Rockport.</i>
" John S. Moody, <i>Rockland.</i>	" A. Davenport, <i>Gardiner.</i>

DIOCESE OF MARYLAND.

The Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, D.D., <i>Baltimore.</i>	Mr. Skipwith Wilmer, <i>Baltimore.</i>
" J. Houston Eccleston, D.D., <i>Baltimore.</i>	" Joseph Packard, Jr., <i>Baltimore.</i>
" John H. Elliott, D.D., <i>Washington, D. C.</i>	" William Keyser, <i>Baltimore.</i>
" Randolph H. McKim, D.D., <i>Washington, D. C.</i>	" John T. Mason, <i>Baltimore.</i>

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

The Rev. John S. Lindsay, D.D., <i>Boston.</i>	Mr. Arthur J. C. Sowdon, <i>Boston.</i>
" Arthur Lawrence, D.D., <i>Stockbridge.</i>	" Edmund H. Bennett, <i>Taunton.</i>
" Leighton Parks, D.D., <i>Boston.</i>	" Robert Treat Paine, <i>Boston.</i>
" George Hodges, D.D., <i>Cambridge.</i>	" Edward L. Davis, <i>Worcester.</i>
	" Charles G. Saunders, ¹ <i>Lawrence.</i>

¹ Taking the place of Mr. Davis on the 16th day of the session.

DIOCESE OF MICHIGAN.

The Rev. William Prall, D.D., <i>Detroit.</i>	Mr. Hervey C. Parke, <i>Detroit.</i>
" Joseph H. Johnson, D.D., <i>Detroit.</i>	" Theodore H. Eaton, <i>Detroit.</i>
" Thomas W. MacLean, <i>Bay City.</i>	" Thomas Cranage, <i>Bay City.</i>
" Henry Tatlock, <i>Ann Arbor.</i>	" Sidney D. Miller, <i>Detroit.</i>
	" W. C. Maybury, ¹ <i>Detroit.</i>

DIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE.

The Rev. Frederick S. Jewell, <i>Portage, Wis.</i>	Mr. Linden H. Morehouse, <i>Milwaukee, Wis.</i>
" Charles L. Mallory, <i>Delavan, Wis.</i>	" John B. Winslow, <i>Madison, Wis.</i>
" Joseph Moran, Jr., <i>Whitewater, Wis.</i>	" T. M. Cary, <i>Janesville, Wis.</i>
" Theophilus S. Richey, <i>Milwaukee, Wis.</i>	" Walter M. Wells, <i>Delavan, Wis.</i>
" E. Fayette Royce, D.D., ² <i>Beloit, Wis.</i>	" William H. Webb, ³ <i>Superior, Wis.</i>

DIOCESE OF MINNESOTA.

The Rev. John J. Faudé, <i>Minneapolis.</i>	Mr. W. H. Lightner, <i>St. Paul.</i>
" Albert W. Ryan, D.D., <i>Duluth.</i>	" E. T. Wilder, <i>Red Wing.</i>
" John Wright, D.D., <i>St. Paul.</i>	" Isaac Atwater, <i>Minneapolis.</i>
" Harry P. Nichols, <i>Minneapolis.</i>	" C. H. Strobeck, <i>Litchfield.</i>

DIOCESE OF MISSISSIPPI.

The Rev. George C. Harris, D.D., <i>Madison.</i>	Mr. A. C. Leigh, <i>Grenada.</i>
" Nowell Logan, D.D., <i>Vicksburg.</i>	" Charles H. Cocke, <i>Columbus.</i>
" Charles Morris, <i>Natchez.</i>	" George W. Howard, <i>Vicksburg.</i>
" Ebenezer Thompson, <i>Biloxi.</i>	" D. P. Porter, <i>Jackson.</i>

DIOCESE OF MISSOURI.

The Rev. Stephen H. Green, <i>St. Louis.</i>	Mr. John R. Triplett, <i>St. Louis.</i>
" Patrick G. Robert, <i>St. Louis.</i>	" A. A. Lesueur, <i>Jefferson City.</i>
" William A. Hatch, <i>Monroe City.</i>	" Thomas A. Skinker, <i>St. Louis.</i>
" Robert A. Holland, D.D., <i>St. Louis.</i>	" F. J. McMaster, <i>St. Louis.</i>

¹ Taking the place of Mr. Eaton on the 12th day of the session.² Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Richey on the 14th day of the session.³ Taking the place of Mr. Winslow on the 18th day of the session.

DIOCESE OF NEBRASKA.

The Rev. Charles H. Gardiner,	Mr. James M. Woolworth, LL.D.,
<i>Omaha.</i>	<i>Omaha.</i>
" Robert Doherty, D.D.,	" Albert C. Stowell,
<i>Omaha.</i>	<i>Cedar Rapids.</i>
" Arthur E. Marsh,	" Theodore L. Ringwalt,
<i>Central City.</i>	<i>Omaha.</i>
	" John E. Smith,
	<i>Beatrice.</i>

DIOCESE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The Rev. Daniel C. Roberts, D.D.,	Mr. John L. Farwell,
<i>Concord.</i>	<i>Claremont.</i>
" Edward A. Renouf, D.D.,	" Josiah Carpenter,
<i>Keene.</i>	<i>Manchester.</i>
" Henry E. Cooke,	" Simon G. Griffin,
<i>Manchester.</i>	<i>Keene.</i>
" Lucius Waterman, D.D.,	" Charles A. Tufts,
<i>Laconia.</i>	<i>Dover.</i>

DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY.

The Rev. Alfred B. Baker, D.D.,	Mr. John N. Carpender,
<i>Princeton.</i>	<i>New Brunswick.</i>
" Otis A. Glazebrook, D.D.,	" Clifford Stanley Sims, D.C.L.,
<i>Elizabeth.</i>	<i>Mount Holly.</i>
" Chas. H. Hibbard, D.D.,	" Howard Richards,
<i>Burlington.</i>	<i>Elizabeth.</i>
" George W. Watson, D.D.,	" Richard S. Conover,
<i>Swedeseboro.</i>	<i>South Amboy.</i>

DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

The Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D.,	Mr. Stephen P. Nash,
<i>New York.</i>	<i>New York.</i>
" Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D.,	" J. Pierpont Morgan,
<i>New York.</i>	<i>New York.</i>
" William R. Huntington,	" W. Bayard Cutting,
D.D., <i>New York.</i>	<i>New York.</i>
" David H. Greer, D.D.,	" Francis L. Stetson,
<i>New York.</i>	<i>New York.</i>

DIOCESE OF NEWARK.

The Rev. George S. Bennitt,	Mr. Cortlandt Parker,
<i>Jersey City, N.J.</i>	<i>Newark, N.J.</i>
" Geo. M. Christian, D.D.,	" Alfred Mills,
<i>Newark, N.J.</i>	<i>Morristown, N.J.</i>
" Millidge Walker,	" Henry Hayes,
<i>Newark, N.J.</i>	<i>Newark, N.J.</i>
" Frederick B. Carter,	" John B. Van Wagenen,
<i>Montclair, N.J.</i>	<i>West Orange, N.J.</i>

DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The Rev. Jarvis Buxton, D.D., <i>Lenoir.</i>	Mr. John Wilkes, <i>Charlotte.</i>
“ M. M. Marshall, D.D., <i>Raleigh.</i>	“ Richard H. Battle, <i>Raleigh.</i>
“ Francis J. Murdock, D.D., <i>Salisbury.</i>	“ Samuel S. Nash, <i>Tarboro.</i>
“ McNeely DuBose, <i>Asheville.</i>	“ Silas McBee, <i>Lincolnton.</i>

DIOCESE OF OHIO.

The Rev. C. S. Bates, D.D., <i>Cleveland.</i>	Mr. Columbus Delano, <i>Mount Vernon.</i>
“ C. S. Aves, <i>Norwalk.</i>	“ Samuel Mather, <i>Cleveland.</i>
“ H. W. Jones, D.D., <i>Gambier.</i>	“ F. B. Swayne, <i>Toledo.</i>
“ E. W. Worthington, <i>Cleveland.</i>	“ J. O. Moss, <i>Sandusky.</i>
	“ Thomas M. Sloane, ¹ <i>Sandusky.</i>

DIOCESE OF OREGON.

The Rev. W. E. Potwine, <i>Pendleton.</i>	Mr. J. D. Letcher, <i>Corvallis.</i>
“ George B. Van Waters, <i>Portland.</i>	“ John McCracken, <i>Portland.</i>
“ William S. Short, <i>Astoria.</i>	“ S. H. Gruber, <i>Portland.</i>
“ Charles Booth, <i>Newport.</i>	“ Jay Tuttle, <i>Astoria.</i>

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The Rev. Wm. N. McVickar, D.D., <i>Philadelphia.</i>	Mr. George C. Thomas, <i>Philadelphia.</i>
“ John Fulton, D.D., <i>Philadelphia.</i>	“ James S. Biddle, <i>Philadelphia.</i>
“ Jos. N. Blanchard, D.D., <i>Philadelphia.</i>	“ J. Vaughan Merrick, <i>Roxborough, Philadelphia.</i>
“ J. Lewis Parks, D.D., <i>Philadelphia.</i>	“ Francis A. Lewis, <i>Philadelphia.</i>

DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH.

The Rev. Alfred W. Arundel, D.D., <i>Pittsburgh, Pa.</i>	Mr. Hill Burgwin, <i>Pittsburgh, Pa.</i>
“ James H. B. Brooks, <i>Oil City, Pa.</i>	“ James W. Brown, <i>Pittsburgh, Pa.</i>
“ Robert W. Grange, <i>Pittsburgh, Pa.</i>	“ John W. Reynolds, <i>Erie, Pa.</i>
“ Laurens McLure, <i>Oakmont, Pa.</i>	“ George C. Burgwin, <i>Pittsburgh, Pa.</i>

¹ Taking the place of Mr. Delano on the 2d day of the session.

DIOCESE OF QUINCY.

The Rev. C. W. Leffingwell, D.D., <i>Knoxville, Ill.</i>	Mr. H. A. Williamson, <i>Quincy, Ill.</i>
" R. F. Sweet, D.D., <i>Rock Island, Ill.</i>	" Lucian Adams, <i>Rock Island, Ill.</i>
" W. H. Moore, <i>Quincy, Ill.</i>	" W. H. Boniface, <i>Peoria, Ill.</i>
" S. G. Jeffords, <i>Peoria, Ill.</i>	" T. B. Martin, <i>Galesburg, Ill.</i>

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND.

The Rev. Daniel Henshaw, D.D., <i>Providence.</i>	Mr. John H. Stiness, <i>Providence.</i>
" Charles A. L. Richards, D.D., <i>Providence.</i>	" John Nicholas Brown, <i>Providence.</i>
" George McClellan Fiske, D.D., <i>Providence.</i>	" LeRoy King, <i>Newport.</i>
" William M. Groton, <i>Westerly.</i>	" Robert H. J. Goddard, <i>Providence.</i>
	" J. Halsey DeWolf, ¹ <i>Providence.</i>

DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Rev. John Kershaw, <i>Sumter.</i>	Mr. A. Markley Lee, <i>Charleston.</i>
" Theodore D. Bratton, <i>Spartanburg.</i>	" Robert W. Shand, <i>Columbia.</i>
" A. Toomer Porter, D.D., <i>Charleston.</i>	" James Aldrich, <i>Aiken.</i>
" James M. Stoney, <i>Camden.</i>	" Edward McCrady, <i>Charleston.</i>

DIOCESE OF SOUTHERN OHIO.

The Rev. Dudley W. Rhodes, D.D., <i>Mt. Auburn, Cincinnati, O.</i>	Mr. John L. Stettinius, <i>Cincinnati, O.</i>
" Robert A. Gibson, <i>Cincinnati, O.</i>	" E. Morgan Wood, <i>Dayton, O.</i>
" John H. Ely, <i>College Hill, Cincinnati, O.</i>	" Charles W. Short, <i>Fern Bank, Hamilton Co., O.</i>
" George P. Torrence, <i>Zanesville, O.</i>	" John W. Daniels, <i>Piqua, O.</i>

DIOCESE OF SOUTHERN VIRGINIA.

The Rev. Beverly D. Tucker, D.D., <i>Norfolk, Va.</i>	Mr. Charles M. Blackford, <i>Lynchburg, Va.</i>
" W. H. Meade, D.D., <i>Roanoke, Va.</i>	" R. E. Withers, <i>Wytheville, Va.</i>
" R. J. McBryde, D.D., <i>Lerington, Va.</i>	" W. W. Old, <i>Norfolk, Va.</i>
" John J. Lloyd, D.D., <i>Lynchburg, Va.</i>	" W. B. Martin, <i>Norfolk, Va.</i>

¹ Taking the place of Mr. Goddard on the 11th day of the session.

DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. F. W. Taylor, D.D., <i>Springfield, Ill.</i>	Mr. A. A. Candee, <i>Cairo, Ill.</i>
" D. W. Dresser, D.D., <i>Champaign, Ill.</i>	" C. E. Hay, <i>Springfield, Ill.</i>
" J. B. Harrison, <i>Carrollton, Ill.</i>	" W. J. Quinlan, <i>Decatur, Ill.</i>
" W. H. Tomlins, <i>East St. Louis, Ill.</i>	" M. F. Gilbert, <i>Cairo, Ill.</i>

DIOCESE OF TENNESSEE.

The Rev. F. P. Davenport, D.D., <i>Memphis.</i>	Mr. G. M. Darrow, <i>Murfreesboro.</i>
" Samuel Ringgold, D.D., <i>Knoxville.</i>	" C. T. Dobb, <i>Memphis.</i>
" J. R. Winchester, D.D., <i>Nashville.</i>	" A. T. McNeal, <i>Bolivar.</i>
" F. A. Shoup, D.D., <i>Columbia.</i>	" E. G. Richmond, <i>Chattanooga.</i>
" Joseph E. Martin, D.D., ¹ <i>Jackson.</i>	

DIOCESE OF TEXAS.

The Rev. C. M. Beckwith, <i>Galveston.</i>	Mr. E. G. Hanrich, <i>Waco.</i>
" Frank Page, <i>Waco.</i>	" H. M. Whitaker, <i>Tyler.</i>
" Henry D. Aves, <i>Houston.</i>	" Rufus Caye, <i>Houston.</i>
" George L. Crockett, <i>San Augustine.</i>	" Lewellyn Aubrey, <i>Marshall.</i>
" Edward F. Gee, ² <i>Tyler.</i>	

DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

The Rev. J. Isham Bliss, D.D., <i>Burlington.</i>	Mr. George F. Edmunds, <i>Burlington.</i>
" Alonzo B. Flanders, D.D., <i>St. Albans.</i>	" Thomas H. Canfield, <i>Burlington.</i>
" Edward N. Goddard, <i>Windsor.</i>	" Edward L. Temple, <i>Rutland.</i>
" William H. Collins, <i>Brattleboro.</i>	" Myron W. Bailey, <i>St. Albans.</i>
	" Henry Wells, ³ <i>Burlington.</i>

DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.

The Rev. C. E. Grammer, D.D., <i>Theological Seminary.</i>	Mr. Joseph Bryan, <i>Richmond.</i>
" John K. Mason, D.D., <i>Richmond.</i>	" R. Taylor Scott, <i>Richmond.</i>
" Hartley Carmichael, D.D., <i>Richmond.</i>	" James M. Garnett, <i>University of Virginia.</i>
" G. W. Nelson, <i>Warrenton.</i>	" Joseph Wilmer, <i>Rapidan.</i>

¹ Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. Ringgold on the 3d day of the session.² Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Aves on the 11th day of the session.³ Taking the place of Mr. Edmunds on the 7th day of the session.

DIOCESE OF WEST MISSOURI.

The Rev. Cameron Mann, D.D., <i>Kansas City, Mo.</i>	Mr. Wallace Pratt, <i>Kansas City, Mo.</i>
“ Robert Talbot, <i>Kansas City, Mo.</i>	“ William B. Clarke, <i>Kansas City, Mo.</i>
“ Melville M. Moore, <i>Springfield, Mo.</i>	“ John D. Richardson, <i>St. Joseph, Mo.</i>
“ Richard Ellerby, <i>Lexington, Mo.</i>	“ George H. McCann, <i>Springfield, Mo.</i>

WEST VIRGINIA.

The Rev. S. Scollay Moore, D.D., <i>Parkersburg.</i>	Mr. B. M. Ambler, <i>Parkersburg.</i>
“ Jacob Brittingham, <i>Wheeling.</i>	“ William S. Laidley, <i>Charleston.</i>
“ Rodney R. Swope, D.D., <i>Wheeling.</i>	“ Frank Beckwith, <i>Charles Town.</i>
“ Robert Douglas Roller, D.D., <i>Charleston.</i>	“ William P. Craighill, <i>Charles Town.</i>
“ John S. Gibson, ¹ <i>Huntington.</i>	

WESTERN MICHIGAN.

The Rev. Campbell Fair, D.D., <i>Grand Rapids, Mich.</i>	Mr. David G. Robinson, <i>Hastings, Mich.</i>
“ Joseph W. Bancroft, <i>Hastings, Mich.</i>	“ Jacob Kleinhans, <i>Grand Rapids, Mich.</i>
“ Robert R. Claiborne, <i>Kalamazoo, Mich.</i>	“ J. Davidson Burns, <i>Kalamazoo, Mich.</i>
“ John Brewster Hubbs, <i>Grand Rapids, Mich.</i>	“ William B. Williams, <i>Allegan, Mich.</i>

WESTERN NEW YORK.

The Rev. James Rankine, D. D., <i>Geneva, N. Y.</i>	Mr. James M. Smith, <i>Buffalo, N. Y.</i>
“ Henry W. Nelson, Jr., D.D., <i>Geneva, N. Y.</i>	“ Harlow C. Curtiss, <i>Buffalo, N. Y.</i>
“ Francis Lobdell, D.D., <i>Buffalo, N. Y.</i>	“ Rufus A. Sibley, <i>Rochester, N. Y.</i>
“ Henry Anstice, D.D., <i>Rochester, N. Y.</i>	“ Louis Stockton, <i>Buffalo, N. Y.</i>
	“ William H. Walker, ² <i>Buffalo, N. Y.</i>

DELEGATES FROM MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS.

ARIZONA.

The Rev. Edward W. Meany, <i>Prescott.</i>	Mr. John J. Hawkins, <i>Prescott.</i>
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¹ Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. Roller on the 6th day of the session.² Taking the place of Mr. Smith on the 8th day of the session.

WESTERN TEXAS.

The Rev. Walter R. Richardson, Mr. William H. Young,
San Antonio, Texas. *San Antonio, Texas.*

WYOMING AND IDAHO.

The Rev. George C. Rafter, Mr. John C. Davis,
Cheyenne, Wyoming. *Rawlins, Wyoming.*

SHANGHAI.

The Rev. Robert K. Nelson.

TOKYO.

The Rev. J. M. Francis, Mr. J. McD. Gardiner,
Tokyo, Japan. *Tokyo, Japan.*

CHURCHES IN EUROPE.

The Rev. R. J. Nevin, D.D., Mr. A. E. Jessup,
Rome, Italy. *Luzerne, Switzerland.*

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HOUSE OF DEPUTIES.

FIRST DAY.

GETHSEMANE CHURCH, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.,
Wednesday, October 2, 1895.

THIS being the day designated by the Constitution for holding a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, the Bishops and Deputies-elect assembled, agreeably to the appointment of the last General Convention, in the city of Minneapolis, in Gethsemane Church.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop of Minnesota, assisted by the Archbishop of Rupert's Land, the Bishop of Maine, and others. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Western New York.

3.30 P.M.

The credentials of those who attended as members-elect of the House of Deputies were received and recorded by the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, Secretary.

Whereupon the names were called, and the following members took their seats :

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

ALABAMA. — The Rev. Dr. Powers and the Rev. Mr. Whittaker.

ALBANY. — The Rev. Drs. Battershall, Morrison, and Carey, and the Rev. Mr. Edmunds.

ARKANSAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Miller and Vaulx.

CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Messrs. Spalding and Restarick, and the Rev. Dr. Trew.

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Olmsted, Egar, and Babcock, and the Rev. Mr. Quennell.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Dr. Jones, and the Rev. Messrs. Powers, Sterling, and Baker.

CHICAGO. — The Rev. Drs. Gold, Stone, and Locke, and the Rev. Mr. Edwards.

COLORADO. — The Rev. Messrs. Ohl, Marshall, Newton, and Oakes.

CONNECTICUT. — The Rev. Messrs. Lines, Raftery, and Woodcock.

DELAWARE. — The Rev. Dr. Littell, and the Rev. Messrs. Bartlett, Hall, and Hammond.

EAST CAROLINA. — The Rev. Mr. Harding, and the Rev. Drs. Carmichael and Drane.

EASTON. — The Rev. Dr. Roberts, and the Rev. Messrs. Schouler and Beaven.

FLORIDA. — The Rev. Dr. Shields, and the Rev. Messrs. White and Whaley.

FOND DU LAC. — The Rev. Dr. Gardner, and the Rev. Messrs. Weller and Taylor.

INDIANA. — The Rev. Messrs. Seabrease, Ranger, and Stanley, and the Rev. Dr. Adams.

IOWA. — The Rev. Drs. Judd, Wilkins, and Green, and the Rev. Mr. Cornell.

KANSAS. — The Rev. Dr. Beatty, and the Rev. Messrs. Thomas, Brown, and Bennett.

KENTUCKY. — The Rev. Drs. Perkins, Ward, and Fitts, and the Rev. Mr. Burton.

LONG ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Alsop and Drowne, and the Rev. Messrs. Brewster and Breed.

LOUISIANA. — The Rev. Drs. Duncan, Douglas, Waters, and Percival.

MAINE. — The Rev. Dr. Sills, and the Rev. Messrs. Leffingwell, Sweet, and Moody.

MARYLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Eccleston, Elliott, and McKim.

MASSACHUSETTS. — The Rev. Drs. Lindsay, Lawrence, Parks, and Hodges.

MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Drs. Prall and Johnson, and the Rev. Mr. Tatlock.

MILWAUKEE. — The Rev. Messrs. Jewell, Mallory, Moran, and Richey.

MINNESOTA. — The Rev. Messrs. Faudé, Ryan, and Nichols, and the Rev. Dr. Wright.

MISSISSIPPI. — The Rev. Dr. Harris, and the Rev. Mr. Thompson.

MISSOURI. — The Rev. Messrs. Green, Robert, and Hatch.

NEBRASKA. — The Rev. Messrs. Gardner and Marsh, and the Rev. Dr. Doherty.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. — The Rev. Drs. Roberts, Renouf, and Waterman, and the Rev. Mr. Cooke.

NEW JERSEY. — The Rev. Drs. Glazebrook, Hibbard, and Watson.

NEW YORK. — The Rev. Drs. Dix, Hoffman, Huntington, and Greer.

NEWARK. — The Rev. Messrs. Bennitt, Walker, and Carter, and the Rev. Dr. Christian.

NORTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Drs. Buxton and Marshall, and the Rev. Mr. Du Bose.

OHIO. — The Rev. Drs. Bates and Jones, and the Rev. Mr. Worthington.

OREGON. — The Rev. Messrs. Potwine, Van Waters, Short, and Booth.

PENNSYLVANIA. — The Rev. Drs. McVickar, Fulton, Blanchard, and Parks.

PITTSBURGH. — The Rev. Dr. Arundel, and the Rev. Messrs. Brooks, Grange, and McLure.

QUINCY. — The Rev. Dr. Leffingwell, and the Rev. Messrs. Moore and Jeffords.

RHODE ISLAND. — The Rev. Drs. Henshaw, Richards, and Fiske.

SOUTH CAROLINA. — The Rev. Messrs. Kershaw, Bratton, and Stoney.

SOUTHERN OHIO. — The Rev. Dr. Rhodes, and the Rev. Messrs. Gibson, Ely, and Torrence.

SOUTHERN VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Mr. Tucker, and the Rev. Drs. Meade, McBryde, and Lloyd.

SPRINGFIELD. — The Rev. Drs. Taylor and Dresser, and the Rev. Messrs. Harrison and Tomlins.

TENNESSEE. — The Rev. Drs. Winchester and Davenport.

TEXAS. — The Rev. Messrs. Beckwith, Page, and Crockett.

VERMONT. — The Rev. Drs. Bliss and Flanders, and the Rev. Messrs. Goddard and Collins.

VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Drs. Mason and Carmichael, and the Rev. Mr. Nelson.

WEST MISSOURI. — The Rev. Dr. Mann, and the Rev. Messrs. Talbot, Moore, and Ellerby.

WEST VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Drs. Moore and Swope, and the Rev. Mr. Brittingham.

WESTERN MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Dr. Fair, and the Rev. Messrs. Bancroft, Claiborne, and Hubbs.

WESTERN NEW YORK. — The Rev. Dr. Rankine, Lobdell, and Anstice.

LAY DEPUTIES.

ALBANY. — Mr. Pell-Clarke.

ARKANSAS. — Messrs. Roots, Hornor, and Reeves.

CALIFORNIA. — Messrs. Droun, Hooper, and Phillips.

CENTRAL NEW YORK. — Messrs. Moss, White, McWhorter, and Hubbard.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Mercur, North, Butler, and Holland.

CHICAGO. — Messrs. Lyman, Ryerson, and Banks.

COLORADO. — Mr. Johnson.

CONNECTICUT. — Messrs. Graves and Goodwin.

DELAWARE. — Messrs. Bradford, Curtis, and Reynolds.

EAST CAROLINA. — Messrs. Lamb, Roberts, and Atkinson.

FLORIDA. — Messrs. Fairbanks, R. D. Knight, and F. S. Knight.

FOND DU LAC. — Messrs. Perry and Field.

GEORGIA. — Mr. Miller.

INDIANA. — Mr. Irwin.

IOWA. — Messrs. Engal, Thomas, Mahon, and Henry.

KANSAS. — Messrs. Skinner, Stimpson, and Allen.

KENTUCKY. — Messrs. Robinson, Covington, and Wolcott.

LONG ISLAND. — Messrs. King, Nicoll, and Pierrepont.

LOUISIANA. — Messrs. Forsyth and Minor.

MAINE. — Messrs. Ingalls, and Brown.

MARYLAND. — Messrs. Wilmer, Packard, Keyser, and Mason.

MASSACHUSETTS. — Messrs. Sowdon, Paine, and Davis.

MICHIGAN. — Messrs. Parke, Eaton, Cranage, and Miller.

MILWAUKEE. — Messrs. Morehouse, Cary, and Wells.

MINNESOTA. — Messrs. Lightner, Wilder, Atwater, and Strobeck.

MISSOURI. — Messrs. Triplett, Lesueur, Skinker, and McMaster.

NEBRASKA. — Messrs. Stowell and Ringwalt.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. — Messrs. Carpenter and Griffin.

NEW JERSEY. — Messrs. Carpender and Richards.

NEW YORK. — Messrs. Morgan and Stetson.

NORTH CAROLINA. — Messrs. Wilkes, Battle, Nash, and McBee.

OHIO. — Messrs. Mather, Swayne, and Moss.

PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Thomas, Merrick, and Lewis.

PITTSBURGH. — Messrs. H. Burgwin, Brown, and G. C. Burgwin.

QUINCY. — Messrs. Williamson, Adams, and Martin.

RHODE ISLAND. — Messrs. Stiness, Brown, King, and Goddard.
 SOUTH CAROLINA. — Mr. Shand.
 SOUTHERN OHIO. — Messrs. Stettinius and Wood.
 SOUTHERN VIRGINIA. — Messrs. Withers, Old, and Martin.
 SPRINGFIELD. — Messrs. Candee and Gilbert.
 TENNESSEE. — Messrs. Darrow and Richmond.
 TEXAS. — Mr. Hanrich.
 VERMONT. — Messrs. Edmunds, Canfield, Temple, and Bailey.
 VIRGINIA. — Messrs. Bryan, Scott, Garnett, and Wilmer.
 WEST MISSOURI. — Messrs. Pratt and McCann.
 WEST VIRGINIA. — Mr. Laidley.
 WESTERN NEW YORK. — Messrs. Curtiss and Sibley.

MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS.

CLERICAL DELEGATES.

MONTANA. — The Rev. Mr. Prout.
 NORTHERN MICHIGAN. — The Rev. Mr. Williams.
 NORTHERN TEXAS. — The Rev. Mr. Wickens.
 OLYMPIA. — The Rev. Mr. Garrett.
 SOUTH DAKOTA. — The Rev. Mr. Cleveland.
 SOUTHERN FLORIDA. — The Rev. Mr. Brown.
 THE PLATTE. — The Rev. Mr. Bates.
 WESTERN COLORADO. — The Rev. Mr. Ostensen.
 WESTERN TEXAS. — The Rev. Mr. Richardson.
 WYOMING AND IDAHO. — The Rev. Mr. Rafter.
 TOKYO. — The Rev. Mr. Francis.
 CHURCHES IN EUROPE. — The Rev. Dr. Nevin.

LAY DELEGATES.

NEW MEXICO. — Mr. Prince.
 NORTH DAKOTA. — Mr. Perkins.
 NORTHERN MICHIGAN. — Mr. White.
 OLYMPIA. — Mr. Coffman.
 SOUTHERN FLORIDA. — Mr. Burgwin.

The Secretary having declared that this Church was represented in a majority of Dioceses, agreeably to the requirement of Article 1 of the Constitution, on motion, the House proceeded to the election of a President.

The Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota nominated the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., of New York. No other nominations being received, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Beatty of Kansas, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the House for the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., as President.

The Secretary having cast the ballot, declared that the Rev. Dr. Dix was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Leffingwell of Quincy and Mr. King of Long Island were appointed to conduct the President to the Chair. The President, on taking his seat, briefly addressed the House.

The House proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Roots of Arkansas, the first Assistant Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of this House for the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins of Massachusetts as Secretary. The Assistant Secretary having executed the order of the Convention, and cast the ballot, the President declared the Rev. Mr. Hutchins to have been elected Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks of Florida, it was

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon the House of Bishops and inform that House of the organization of this House and its readiness to proceed to business.

The President appointed, as members of such Committee, the Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota and Mr. Edmunds of Vermont.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the President communicate to the Presiding Bishop the deep regret of the House of Deputies that he is unable to be present at the General Convention, with their sincere wishes for his recovery to health.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, in behalf of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons (appointed at the last Convention), presented a partial report (comprising the Constitution) ; and, on his motion, it was

Resolved, That the Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons be made the Order of the Day for to-morrow (Thursday) at 11 o'clock, and continue the Order of the Day until disposed of.

[For the report, see Appendix XVI.]

The Rev. Mr. Faudé, from the Committee to notify the House of Bishops of the organization of this House, reported that the Committee had executed the order of the House.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota, it was

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hold daily sessions from 9 o'clock A. M., to 5 o'clock P. M., with a recess of one hour and a half, beginning at 1 o'clock ; but that on each Saturday the session shall close at 1 o'clock.

The Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House thanks our Rev. Fathers in God for their Pastoral Letter issued since the last General Convention, and requests the House of Bishops to secure the publication of that Pastoral in the next Journal of the General Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee offered the following amendment to the resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby expresses to our Reverend Fathers in the House of Bishops its gratitude to them for the Pastoral Letter of October 18, 1894, which Pastoral Letter is hereby adopted *ex animo* by this House as a true and Catholic definition upon the doctrines of the Incarnation and the Inspiration of Holy Scripture.

Resolved, That the Committee on the State of the Church is hereby instructed to request the House of Bishops to embody the Pastoral Letter of October 18, 1894, in their Pastoral of 1895, or re-issue the same in accordance with Title I., Canon 20, Sec. iii., in either case, as may seem best to the House of Bishops.

The resolution and amendment were placed on the Calendar. [For consideration see p. 214.]

The Secretary presented the following invitation, which, on motion of Mr. Fairbanks of Florida, was accepted with the thanks of the House :

The Bishop and Assistant Bishop of Minnesota, the Mayor and citizens of Faribault, Minnesota, respectfully invite the House of Bishops and House of Deputies of the General Convention to visit Faribault, its Cathedral and Schools, on Saturday, October 12.

A special train tendered for the use of the Convention will be ready to leave the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Station, at 9 A.M.,—returning from Faribault at 4 P.M.

The Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota presented the following invitation, which, on his motion, was accepted with the thanks of the House :

The Bishop and the Assistant Bishop of Minnesota will be happy to meet the Bishops and Deputies of the General Convention at a public reception at the West Hotel, to-morrow (Thursday), Oct. 3, from 8 to 11 o'clock P.M.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Prall of Michigan, it was

Resolved, That the House of Deputies receive the Deputation appointed by the General Synod of the Canadian Church on Thursday, the third of October, at twelve o'clock.

The Secretary announced his appointment of the Rev. Henry Anstice, D.D., of Western New York, the Rev. Edward W. Worthington of Ohio, the Rev. Carroll M. Davis of Missouri, and the Rev. William C. Prout of Albany, as Assistant Secretaries. On motion, the appointments were approved.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Christian Unity is hereby instructed to print for the information of this

Convention : *First*, All correspondence received from or sent to any Committee on Christian Unity appointed by any other Church ; and *Second*, All replies to the Chicago Declaration contained in the resolutions adopted by any other Church upon the consideration of the Chicago Declaration, which resolutions have been sent to the Commission on Christian Unity of this General Convention.

[For the action of the House see p. 207.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 1st day of the Session,
October 2, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 1.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has completed its organization by the election of the Bishop of Albany as Chairman, and the Rev. Samuel Hart, D.D., as Secretary, and that it is ready to proceed to business.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Prall of Michigan, it was

Resolved, That the President appoint two clergymen and two laymen to notify the Deputation of the Canadian Church of the time fixed by the House to receive them, and to escort them to the House.

The President appointed, as such Committee, the Rev. Dr. Prall of Michigan, the Rev. Mr. Nichols of Minnesota, Mr. Sowdon of Massachusetts, and Mr. Brown of Maine.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, October 3, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Powers of Central Pennsylvania, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of New Mexico.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Duncan of Louisiana, it was

Resolved, That the calling of the roll be dispensed with for the remainder of the session, and members who have not yet responded to the roll-call may hand their names to the Secretary.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following members, not present at yesterday's session, appeared and took their seats :

The Rev. Dr. Carter of Florida, the Rev. Mr. Morris of Mississippi, the Rev. Mr. Tudor of Oklahoma, Mr. Bullock of Georgia, Mr. Schenck of Long Island, Mr. Porter of Mississippi, Mr. Hayes of Newark, Mr.

Biddle of Pennsylvania, Mr. Reynolds of Pittsburgh, Mr. Stockton of Western New York, and Mr. Sloane of Ohio.

The President announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees :

ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Rev. Dr. Duncan, of Louisiana; the Rev. Dr. Barnwell, of Alabama; the Rev. Mr. Edmunds, of Albany; the Rev. Mr. Miller, of Arkansas; the Rev. Dr. Trew, of California; the Rev. Dr. Olmsted, of Central New York; the Rev. Mr. Powers, of Central Pennsylvania; the Rev. Mr. Edwards, of Chicago; the Rev. Mr. Newton, of Colorado; the Rev. Mr. Lines, of Connecticut; the Rev. Mr. Bartlett, of Delaware; the Rev. Mr. Harding, of East Carolina; the Rev. Dr. Roberts, of Easton; the Rev. Mr. Shields, of Florida; the Rev. Dr. Dafter, of Fond du Lac; the Rev. Mr. Reese, of Georgia; the Rev. Mr. Stanley, of Indiana; the Rev. Dr. Green, of Iowa; the Rev. Mr. Thomas, of Kansas; the Rev. Dr. Ward, of Kentucky; the Rev. Mr. Breed, of Long Island; the Rev. Mr. Moody, of Maine; the Rev. Dr. McKim, of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Hodges, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Mr. McLean, of Michigan; the Rev. Mr. Jewell, of Milwaukee; the Rev. Mr. Nichols, of Minnesota; the Rev. Mr. Morris, of Mississippi; the Rev. Mr. Green, of Missouri; the Rev. Mr. Gardner, of Nebraska; the Rev. Dr. Waterman, of New Hampshire; the Rev. Dr. Glazebrook, of New Jersey; the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, of New York; the Rev. Dr. Carter, of Newark; the Rev. Dr. Buxton, of North Carolina; the Rev. Mr. Aves, of Ohio; the Rev. Mr. Short, of Oregon; the Rev. Dr. Parks, of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Arundel, of Pittsburgh; the Rev. Dr. Jeffords, of Quincy; the Rev. Dr. Henshaw, of Rhode Island; the Rev. Dr. Porter, of South Carolina; the Rev. Dr. Gibson, of Southern Ohio; the Rev. Dr. Meade, of Southern Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Dresser, of Springfield; the Rev. Dr. Winchester, of Tennessee; the Rev. Mr. Beckwith, of Texas; the Rev. Mr. Collins, of Vermont; the Rev. Dr. Carmichael, of Virginia; the Rev. Mr. Talbot, of West Missouri; the Rev. Dr. Roller, of West Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Fair, of Western Michigan; the Rev. Dr. Lobdell, of Western New York; the Rev. Mr. Prout, of Montana; the Rev. Mr. Rafter, of Wyoming, and the Rev. Mr. Nelson, of Shanghai.

ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Rev. Dr. Littell, of Delaware; the Rev. Dr. Carey, of Albany; the Rev. Dr. Drowne, of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. Sills, of Maine; the Rev. Dr. Prall, of Michigan; the Rev. Dr. Baker, of New Jersey; the Rev. Dr. Leffingwell, of Quincy; Mr. King, of Long Island; Mr. Merrick, of Pennsylvania; Mr. McWhorter, of Central New York; Mr. Hayes, of Newark; Mr. Parker, of Colorado, and Mr. King, of Rhode Island.

ON THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Rev. Dr. Leffingwell, of Maine; the Rev. Dr. McVickar, of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Lawrence, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Mr. Burton, of Kentucky; the Rev. Dr. Anstice, of Western New York; the Rev. Mr. Seabreeze, of Indiana; Mr. Stark, of Connecticut; Mr. McNeal, of Tennessee; Mr. Brown, of Rhode Island; Mr. McBee, of North Carolina; Mr. Bryan, of Virginia, and Mr. Pierrepont, of Long Island.

ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW DIOCESES.

The Rev. Dr. Richards, of Rhode Island; the Rev. Dr. Huske, of East Carolina; the Rev. Mr. Harrison, of Springfield; the Rev. Dr. Lindsay, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Mr. Moore, of West Missouri; the Rev. Mr. Restarick, of California; the Rev. Dr. Fitts, of Kentucky; Mr. Farwell, of New Hampshire; Mr. Wilmer, of Maryland; Mr. Perry, of Fond du Lac; Mr. Pell-Clarke, of Albany; Mr. Canfield, of Vermont, and Mr. Paine, of Massachusetts.

ON THE CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, of New York; the Rev. Dr. Jones, of Central Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Nelson, of Western New York; the Rev. Dr. Williams, of Georgia; the Rev. Dr. Tucker, of Southern Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Judd, of Iowa; the Rev. Dr. Johnson, of Michigan; Mr. Robinson, of Kentucky; Mr. Nicoll, of Long Island; Mr. Candee, of Springfield; Mr. Lee, of South Carolina; Mr. Thomas, of Pennsylvania, and Mr. White, of Central New York.

ON AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, of New York; the Rev. Dr. Harwood, of Connecticut; the Rev. Dr. Elliott, of Maryland; the Rev. Mr. Faudé, of Minnesota; the Rev. Dr. Stone, of Chicago; Mr. Wilder, of Minnesota; Mr. Woolworth, of Nebraska; Mr. Mills, of Newark; Mr. Edmunds, of Vermont; Mr. Bennett, of Massachusetts; Mr. Stiness, of Rhode Island; Mr. Gilbert, of Springfield, and Mr. Miller, of Georgia.

ON CANONS.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, of Tennessee; the Rev. Dr. Eccleston, of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Mann, of West Missouri; the Rev. Dr. Bates, of Ohio; the Rev. Dr. Taylor, of Springfield; the Rev. Dr. Fulton, of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Morrison, of Albany; Mr. Burgwin, of Pittsburgh; Mr. Ingalls, of Maine; Mr. Lyman, of Chicago; Mr. Battle, of North Carolina; Mr. Lightner, of Minnesota, and Mr. Stetson, of New York.

ON EXPENSES.

Mr. Sowdon, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Mr. Spalding, of California; Mr. Nelson, of Alabama; Mr. Moss, of Central New York; Mr. Stettinius, of Southern Ohio; Mr. Mather, of Ohio; the Rev. Mr. Baker, of Central Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Parks, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Roots, of Arkansas; Mr. Wilmer of Virginia; Mr. Triplett, of Missouri; Mr. Carpenter, of New Jersey, and Mr. Goodwin, of Connecticut.

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Rev. Dr. Beatty, of Kansas; the Rev. Dr. Roberts, of New Hampshire; the Rev. Mr. Bennitt, of Newark; the Rev. Dr. Sweet, of Quincy; the Rev. Dr. Swope, of West Virginia; the Rev. Mr. Oakes, of Colorado; the Rev. Mr. Schouler, of Easton; Mr. Quinlan, of Springfield; Mr. Skiddy, of Connecticut; Mr. Hardcastle, of Easton; Mr. Hanrich, of Texas; Mr. Lamb, of East Carolina, and Mr. Irwin, of Indiana.

ON ELECTIONS.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, of Chicago; the Rev. Dr. Marshall, of North Carolina; the Rev. Mr. Brewster, of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. Fair, of Western Michigan; the Rev. Dr. Parks, of Massachusetts; the Rev. Dr. Carmichael, of East Carolina; the Rev. Dr. Rhodes, of Southern Ohio; Mr. Morehouse, of Milwaukee; Mr. Davis, of Massachusetts; Mr. Hooper, of California; Mr. Miner, of Louisiana; Mr. Withers, of Southern Virginia, and Mr. Griffin, of New Hampshire.

ON THE PRAYER BOOK.

The Rev. Dr. Perkins, of Kentucky; the Rev. Dr. Battershall, of Albany; the Rev. Dr. Hodges, of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Gold, of Chicago; the Rev. Dr. Rankine, of Western New York; the Rev. Dr. Blanchard, of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Christian, of Newark; the Rev. Mr. Foute, of California; Mr. Biddle, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Parker, of Newark; Mr. Temple, of Vermont; Mr. Morgan, of New York, and Mr. Parke, of Michigan.

ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Rev. Dr. Bliss, of Vermont; the Rev. Mr. Jones, of Ohio; the Rev. Dr. Doherty, of Nebraska; the Rev. Dr. Gardner, of Fond du Lac; the Rev. Dr. Greer, of New York; the Rev. Dr. Douglas, of Louisiana; the Rev. Mr. Tatlock, of Michigan; Mr. Curtis, of Delaware; Mr. Atwater, of Minnesota; Mr. Fairbanks, of Florida; Mr. Brown, of Maine; Mr. Nash, of New York; and Mr. Garnett, of Virginia.

ON MEMORIALS OF DECEASED MEMBERS.

The Rev. Dr. Alsop, of Long Island; the Rev. Mr. Vaulx, of Arkansas; the Rev. Dr. Carter, of Florida; the Rev. Dr. Harris, of Mississippi; the Rev. Mr. Robert, of Missouri; the Rev. Dr. Spalding, of Alabama; the Rev. Mr. Brooks, of Pittsburgh; Mr. Laidley, of West Virginia; Mr. Stimpson, of Kansas; Mr. Covington, of Kentucky; Mr. Engal, of Iowa; Mr. Pratt, of West Missouri, and Mr. Porter, of Mississippi.

ON RULES OF ORDER.

Mr. Woolworth, of Nebraska; Mr. H. Burgwin, of Pittsburgh; Mr. Packard, of Maryland; Mr. Stetson, of New York, and Dr. Elliott, of Maryland.

The Rev. Dr. Trew of California presented a memorial from that Diocese praying for a division of the same [for report of Committee see p. 205];

The Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland presented a memorial from that Diocese praying for a division of the same [for report of Committee see p. 205];

The Rev. Dr. Perkins of Kentucky presented a memorial from that Diocese praying for a division of the same [for report of Committee see p. 206];

The Rev. Mr. Williams of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan presented a memorial praying for the admission to the Convention of that Jurisdiction as a Diocese [for report of Committee see p. 227]; all of which memorials were referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses.

The Rev. Dr. Jones of Central Pennsylvania presented memorials of the late Mr. Henry Coppée and Mr. R. A. Lamberton of that Diocese, which were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For report of the Committee see Appendix VII.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Prall of Michigan, it was

Resolved, That this House respectfully notify the House of Bishops that they have appointed to-day, Thursday the 3d of October, at twelve, noon, for the reception of the Deputation appointed by the General Synod of the Canadian Church to the American Church, and respectfully ask the House of Bishops if it be their pleasure to meet with the House of Deputies at the said hour.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 199.]

The Rev. Dr. Egar of Central New York offered the following resolutions which were referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution :

Resolved, That the title-page of the Digest be amended by striking out the words "together with the Constitution," and inserting after the words "Digest of the" the words "Constitutions and," so that the title-page will read as follows: "Digest of the Constitutions and Canons for the government of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, passed and adopted in General Convention."

Resolved, That the Table of Contents be amended by substituting in place of the word "Constitution" the word "Constitutions."

Resolved, That the heading on page 5 of the Digest, as printed in the edition of 1893, be amended by substituting the word "Constitutions" for the word "Constitution."

Resolved, That the following changes be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

That in Article 1, in place of the words "this Constitution" there be substituted the words "these Constitutions."

That in Article 2, in place of the words "this Constitution," there be substituted the words "these Constitutions."

That in Article 5, in place of the words "this Constitution" there be substituted the words "these Constitutions."

That in Article 8, in place of the words "this Constitution" there be substituted the words "these Constitutions."

That in Article 9, in place of the words "this Constitution" there be substituted the words "these Constitutions."

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 217.]

On motion of Mr. Mahon of Iowa, it was

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby sends fraternal Christian greeting to their brethren of the Northern Minnesota Methodist Conference now in session in this city; and do assure them of our sympathy and joy in the abundance of their Christian labour.

[For the reply, see p. 209.]

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Breed of Long Island, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Rules of Order be requested to consider the desirability of reporting a rule that this House be called to prayer for Missions by the President at noon of each day's session.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 210.]

The Rev. Mr. Restarick of California offered the following amendment of Title I., Canon 12, which was referred to the Committee on Canons :

CANON 12.

OF THE OFFICE OF READERS.

§ i. A Lay Communicant of this Church may be appointed to the office of Reader by the Bishop of any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

§ ii. Readers shall be divided into two classes, Local and Diocesan.

§ iii. A Local Reader shall receive from the Bishop a written license to conduct the services of the Church within the Parish or Mission to which he is licensed. This license must be given for a definite period not longer than two years. It may be revoked by the Bishop at any time, and shall become void on the death or removal of the Rector or Minister in charge under whom the Reader is licensed.

§ iv. A Diocesan Reader shall be given a license which shall authorize him to conduct the services of the Church at any place within the Diocese, but only at the request and under the direction of the Rector or Minister in charge if within the limits of any Parish or Mission. This license shall be held permanently unless revoked by the Bishop, and it shall become void on the removal of the Reader from the Diocese in which he is licensed, or on the death or removal of the Bishop.

§ v. A candidate for the office of Reader shall lay before the Bishop :

(a) The written request of the Minister, or if there be a vacancy of the Senior Warden, of the Parish in which he is to serve. In the case of a vacant Mission the Bishop may act without this request.

(b) An application signed by himself. This application shall contain :

1. His name in full, his age and occupation.

2. The statement that he has carefully read Canon of the Digest of Canons, and a promise that he will faithfully observe the requirements thereof.

3. A pledge to conform to all regulations issued for his guidance by the Bishop, and to all instructions given him by the Clergyman under whose oversight he is placed.

(c) A certificate from the Minister of the Parish or Mission of which he is a member, or in case there be none, then from one Presbyter of this Church in good standing and known to the Bishop, in the following words, viz. :

To the Right Reverend , Bishop of , I hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with A. B.; that I believe him to be a communicant of pious, sober, and honest life, attached to the doctrine and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he is of

competent knowledge and ability to read the services of the Church in an edifying manner.

(Signed)

Place,
Date,

(d) If the applicant be a student in any Theological Seminary, he shall also obtain the written permission of the presiding officer of such institution.

§ vi. Those admitted to the office of Reader shall be male communicants of 21 years of age at least, but this limit shall not be applied to exclude candidates for Holy Orders from acting as Readers if a Bishop sees fit to license them.

§ vii. No man shall be licensed as Diocesan Reader until he shall have passed such examination as the Bishop may appoint upon the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament and the Book of Common Prayer at least.

§ viii. A Diocesan Reader shall be admitted to his office by an appropriate religious service, to be prescribed by the General Convention, or, in the absence of such prescription, by the Bishop.

§ ix. No reader shall be licensed to conduct services in any congregation without a Minister, which has had reasonable opportunity to secure the services of an ordained Minister; of this the Bishop shall be the judge.

§ x. Every Reader shall be subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority, and the directions of the Minister under whom he is appointed to work.

§ xi. A Reader may read the services of the Church in a congregation convened for public worship only as follows:

(a) Morning and Evening Prayer, but he shall not use the Absolution in either service.

(b) The Litany and such of the Prayers and Thanksgivings for Several Occasions as may be required.

(c) Such parts of the Offices of the Visitation of the Sick and of Prisoners as the Bishop may permit: *Provided*, that a Reader shall not use the Absolution or Benediction in either.

(d) The Burial of the Dead.

(e) He shall not use any portion of the Order for the Administration of the Holy Communion, nor shall he use any other service of the Book of Common Prayer, except those permitted by this Canon, nor shall he at any time use any Benediction excepting that which is taken from 2 Corinthians xiii. 14.

(f) If a Minister be present a Reader shall not, save in case of necessity, read any portion of the public services of the Church other than the Lessons.

§ xii. The Reader shall officiate from the Prayer Desk and Lecturn only. He shall not, while ministering as Reader, enter within the Altar rails.

§ xiii. The Reader may wear, with the approval of the Bishop, a short surplice or cotta, worn over a cassock, but he shall not wear a stole or other ecclesiastical vestment or ornament peculiar to the clergy.

§ xiv. In all matters relating to sermons or Homilies to be read the Reader shall be subject to the regulations of the Bishop, or the directions of the Minister under whom he works.

§ xv. A Reader of whose ability and soundness in the faith as held and taught by this Church the Bishop is satisfied, by such examination as he may order, may be given a license to make addresses or to deliver instructions and exhortations as a Catechist or Lay Evangelist.

§ xvi. A list of the names and addresses of Readers, with the places of service, and the dates of appointment or removal, shall be kept by the Bishop and shall be entered in the returns of Diocesan Statistics after those of the Clergy.

§ xvii. Every Reader shall lay before the Bishop at the close of each year, or at such times as he may order, a written report of the work done by him. A failure to comply with this shall be sufficient cause for the revocation of the license.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 303.]

The Rev. Mr. Hatch of Missouri offered the following Canons, which were referred to the Committee on Canons :

TITLE III., CANON 2.

The American Church is hereby divided into eight Provinces, namely : New York, Baltimore, Boston, New Orleans, Saint Louis, Chicago, San Francisco, and Denver. And the Bishops of the Dioceses in which the above-named cities are located, that is to say, New York, Maryland, Massachusetts, Louisiana, Missouri, Chicago, California, and Colorado, shall have the title of Archbishop, and shall each be the Metropolitan of the Province to which he belongs, and shall hold rank in the order given above. The Archbishop of New York shall be Primate of the American Church, being the first in rank, and all powers heretofore belonging to the Presiding Bishop shall vest in him, except such as in each Province shall be given to its own Metropolitan. After the Archbishops shall rank in order the Bishops of Connecticut, Washington, and Philadelphia, and the other Diocesan Bishops, according to seniority in the Episcopate, and then Domestic Missionary Bishops, then Bishops Coadjutor, then Foreign Missionary Bishops, and then Bishops resigned or demissionary, all under the same rule of seniority. Each Archdiocese shall take its name from the See-city, as above, instead of its former name (if it be different) ; and consent is hereby given for any Diocese to change its name to that of its See-city.

The Province of *New York* shall consist of the States of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. *Baltimore*, of Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. *Boston*, of Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, and Connecticut. *New Orleans*, of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Texas, Tennessee, and Kentucky. *Saint Louis*, of Missouri, Arkansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, and Minnesota. *Chicago*, of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, and Wisconsin. *San Francisco*, of California, Oregon, Washington, and Alaska. *Denver*, of Colorado, Utah, Nevada, New Mexico, Arizona, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana, and Idaho.

There shall be a Synod held in each Province, to meet on the first Wednesday of October each third year, beginning A. D. 1896, and in the Metropolitan city of the Province or, in such other place as the previous Synod may have appointed. And the Metropolitan, for grave reason, at the request of two of the Bishops of the Province, may change the place of meeting, and also may call the Synod in extra session.

The Synod shall consist of two Houses : the Upper House, in which shall sit all the Bishops ; and the Lower House, in which shall sit the Delegates of the Various Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions. The Metropolitan shall be President of the Synod, and shall himself preside in the Upper House, and the Lower House shall choose and present to the President, a Prolocutor, who must be a Priest, one of its own mem-

bers, whom, if not ineligible, the President shall confirm. There shall be four clerical and four lay Delegates from each Diocese, and two clerical and two lay Delegates from each Missionary Jurisdiction within the Province. These shall be chosen by the Convention of each Diocese, or the Convocation of each Missionary Jurisdiction. Half of each delegation shall be elected by the concurrent vote of both the clerical and lay orders, and the other half by the order which they represent. *Ex officio*, the Dean of each Cathedral Church, the Vicar-General of the Archbishop, the Dean of the General Theological Seminary, and the Chancellor of each Diocese, and also the General Secretary of the Board of Missions, shall have full membership in the Lower House of the Province in which they are. Clerical delegates must be in Priests' Orders, and lay delegates must be Communicants, males of full age, and both must have civil and ecclesiastical residence in the Diocese electing them. And Deacons and Candidates for Orders shall be eligible to be chosen as Lay Delegates.

The legislative power of a Provincial Synod for its Province shall extend to all matters which are not by General Constitutional or Canon law reserved to the General Convention, or committed to Diocesan or Parochial authority.

The House of Bishops of a Province shall meet in Council, for administrative or for judicial duties, at any time on the call of the Archbishop. The duties of the Metropolitan, in his absence, or in the vacancy of the office, shall devolve upon the next Bishop in rank in the Province. In like manner the duties of the Primate shall devolve upon the next Archbishop in rank, in case of vacancy or absence.

Foreign Missionary Jurisdictions shall be annexed to the Province of New York. Also all our Foreign Congregations, Vacant Dioceses, and Missionary Jurisdictions shall be in the charge of the Archbishop or the Bishop exercising his prerogatives, anything in any other Canon to the contrary notwithstanding.

The confirmation of a Bishop-elect shall be in all cases (without reference to the Standing Committees or to the General Convention, except in case of Missionary Bishops chosen during its session) by a majority of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops of the General Convention, being also a majority of all the Bishops of the Province in which is the charge of the Bishop-elect. Notice shall be given to all the Bishops, with certificate of election, by the Archbishop of the Province, who shall, upon due confirmation, solemnly and publicly in some church, publish and certify such confirmation. And he shall immediately, on consultation with the elect, take order for the consecration, as the Presiding Bishop has done heretofore.

In the trial of a Bishop the duties of the Presiding Bishop in Canon 9, Title II., shall be vested in the Metropolitan of the Province to which the accused Bishop belongs, but in the Primate in a charge of heresy.

The license of the Archbishop of a Province is sufficient to entitle foreign clergymen to officiate in any part of a Province; but this does not affect the right of any Bishop to inhibit for his own Diocese.

While the Rt. Rev. John Williams continues to be Bishop of Connecticut, he shall bear the title of Archbishop, and the authority of Metropolitan for the Province of Boston shall be in him, and not in the Bishop of Massachusetts, and that of Primate shall be in him and not in the Archbishop of New York, and the see of Boston shall hold the place assigned above to Connecticut. And on the termination of his Episcopate, this section of this Canon shall be repealed. He may, however, refuse or resign the authority Primatial and Metropolitan, while retaining his Diocese, when this Canon shall then have full force.

TITLE III., CANON 3.

Of the State Chapter.

In each State and Territory and in the District of Columbia, there shall be a "State Chapter."

The State Chapter shall consist of the Bishop, or Bishops, within the district, both Diocesan, Missionary, and Coadjutor, the Vicar General of a Metropolitan, Cathedral Deans, and Diocesan Chancellors. If there be in any Diocese or Jurisdiction no Dean, the President of the Standing Committee shall be a member of this Chapter, and each Missionary Bishop shall appoint a Chancellor, of the profession of the law, for this purpose. And if there be two Sees in the State or Territory, the Standing Committees shall appoint each one a member, clerical or lay, and, if only one See or part of one Diocese, two members, one clerical and one lay, shall be likewise named.

Of this Chapter, the Bishop, or the first Bishop in rank if there be more than one, shall be the President.

This Chapter shall meet once in a year, on the first Wednesday in December, or at such time as its regulations shall determine; and at any time it may be summoned by its President, or Bishop, Diocesan or Missionary, who is a member of it.

This Chapter shall be a Council of advice and a Court to take notice of and to guard and define and defend the laws and rights and obligations and interests of the Church in relation to the State and its authority. In all Ecclesiastical suits and Canons involving civil duties or rights, access may be had to this Chapter as an Ecclesiastical Court of Appeal.

This Court shall have power to suspend the operation of Canons impossible to be observed under the conditions of the tenure of Church property. And it shall have such appellate jurisdiction in all cases as the laws of any Diocese in the State or Territory may give it, consistent always with the Provincial and National Canon law.

This Chapter shall appoint a Recorder from outside its own membership.

TITLE III., CANON 4.

In every Diocese the Bishop shall appoint a Chancellor, by a letter under his name and seal. The Chancellor, if not in orders, must be a Communicant in regular standing. The Chancellor may be removed by the Bishop by a like instrument with the consent of the Consistory. A Bishop on his Consecration or transfer to his Diocese may within one month dismiss the Chancellor and appoint another by his own authority. The Chancellor shall be of the profession of the law; and shall be *ex officio* a member of the Convention with full rights. He shall be the legal adviser of the Bishop, of the Consistory, and of the Convention, and shall have such authority in the government of the Diocese as it may lawfully commit to him.

Title III., Canon 2, § iii., is repealed.

The Metropolitan is the "Ecclesiastical Authority" in all vacant Dioceses. And if requested by the Convention of any vacant Diocese, to commit the charge of such Diocese, while vacant, to any Bishop in communion with this Church, he may do so, and he shall do so if it be to a Bishop of the Province.

The consent of the Bishop, either publicly announced in his Convention, or given in writing under his hand and seal, within one calendar month after the rising of said Convention, shall be essential to the enactment, or amendment, or repeal, of any Constitution or Canon, by the Convention of a Diocese, anything in its own laws to the contrary notwithstanding.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 206.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 2d day of the Session,
October 3, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 2.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it accepts the invitation contained in Message No. 1 from the House of Deputies.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, viz. : the consideration of the report of the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons. [See Appendix XVI.]

On motion of Mr. Stiness of Rhode Island, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution be referred to the Committee of the Whole, subject to the rules of this House governing debate.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, and the President called Mr. Packard of Maryland to the chair. The Committee rose, the Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again. On motion, leave was granted.

The order of business was suspended in order to receive the Deputation from the General Synod of the Canadian Church, the House of Bishops being present, and the Bishop of Western New York presiding. After a brief address of welcome by the Bishop presiding, addresses were made by the Most Reverend the Archbishop of Rupert's Land and Primate of all Canada, the Right Reverend the Bishop of Qu'Appelle, the Very Rev. James Carmichael, Dean of Montreal and Prolocutor of the General Synod of Canada, the Very Rev. J. Grisdale, Dean of Rupert's Land, Mr. Matthew Wilson of the Diocese of Huron, and Mr. J. H. Brock of the Diocese of Rupert's Land, composing the Deputation. After a brief address by the President of the House of Deputies, the Deputation withdrew.

Mr. Stetson of New York offered the following resolutions, which were referred to the Committee on Rules of Order :

Resolved, That the following rules be and the same are hereby adopted for the government of this House when in Committee of the Whole in consideration of the report of the Joint Commission appointed by the General Convention of 1892 for the revision of the Constitution and Canons :

Rules 9, 10, 13, and 24 of the House of Deputies, excepting that the motion to adjourn may not be entertained. There may be made a motion

to rise and to report to the House with or without a request for leave to sit again. No such motion once made and defeated shall be renewed until further business shall have been transacted in the Committee of the Whole, and no debate shall be had on any such motion.

Resolved, That no debate shall be allowed on any motion to permit the Committee of the Whole to sit again. Requests for such permission shall take precedence of all other business, and the motion therefor shall be put to vote immediately without reference.

When the final report of the Committee of the Whole shall have been presented to the House, motions shall be in order for the adoption or rejection of the whole of such report, or of any provision thereof separable in the opinion of the chair. Upon any such motion debate may proceed for not more than one hour; no speaker to take more than ten minutes, and the Joint Commission shall be allowed the closing ten minutes upon every such motion.

[For the report of the Committee see below.]

The following invitation was received and, on motion, accepted, with the thanks of the House :

PUBLIC LIBRARY,
MINNEAPOLIS, October 2, 1895.

The Public Library Board of the City of Minneapolis respectfully invites the Bishops and Delegates present at the Triennial Convention to visit and examine a collection of rare Bibles and Prayer Books in part loaned by Rev. Dr. Wright of St. Paul and in part the property of the Library, in the Directors' Room in the Library Building during the Convention.

JAMES K. HOSMER.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Waters of Louisiana, it was

Resolved, That the members of the Deputation from the General Synod of the Canadian Church be invited to seats upon the platform when present in the House.

The House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, Mr. Burgwin, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted :

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Rules to which were referred the resolutions offered by Mr. Stetson, Lay Deputy from New York, concerning the disposition of the report of the Joint Commission appointed by the General Convention of 1892 for the revision of the Constitution and Canons, respectfully reports that it has considered the subject matter referred to it, and recommends the adoption of the following resolution establishing rules for procedure in the Committee of the Whole upon the subject, and asks leave hereafter to make a separate report as to so much of the resolution as concerns the reception of the final report of the Committee of the Whole, viz. :

Resolved, That the following rules be adopted for the government of this House when in Committee of the Whole in consideration of the report of the Joint Commission appointed by the General Convention of 1892 for the revision of the Constitution and Canons :

1. (9) All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, presented to the Secretary, and by him read to the House; and no motion shall be considered before the House unless seconded.

2. (10) If the question under debate contains several distinct propositions, the same shall be divided, at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

3. (13) When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after-amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; but a substitute for both amendments may be received, which, if adopted, shall operate as an amendment to the original proposition. No proposition on a subject different from the one under consideration shall be received under colour of an amendment or substitute.

4. (24) No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, nor longer than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of the House.

5. A motion to rise and to report to the House, with or without request for leave to sit again, may be made at any time, and shall take precedence of all other motions and shall be decided without debate. No such motion once defeated shall be renewed until further business shall have been transacted in the Committee of the Whole.

6. A motion that a vote upon any pending question shall be taken at some designated time may be made and disposed of without debate at any time, provided that a motion to report to the House shall take precedence as before provided. No motion to lay on the table shall be entertained.

7. No debate shall be allowed on any motion to permit the Committee of the Whole to sit again. Requests for such permission shall take precedence of all other business, and the motion therefor shall be put to vote immediately without reference.

Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order :

Resolved, That when sitting as a Committee of the Whole a record be kept of the vote upon any resolution which is submitted to the Committee, and placed upon the Journal.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 210.]

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following reports :

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on Elections would report that certificates of election of Clerical and Lay Deputies of this House have been received from every Diocese in union with this Convention, and from the Missionary Jurisdictions of Arizona, Montana, Nevada and Utah, New Mexico, North Dakota, Northern California, Northern Michigan, Northern Texas, Oklahoma, Olympia, South Dakota, Southern Florida, The Platte, Western Colorado, Western Texas, Wyoming and Idaho, Shanghai, Tokyo, and the Churches in Europe.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonials have been received entitling Mr. Thomas M. Sloane of Ohio, to a seat in this Convention in place of the Hon. Columbus Delano of that Diocese.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair.

The Committee rose, the Chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. On motion, leave was granted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Roberts of New Hampshire, it was

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to confer with the Local Committee of Arrangements with the view of arranging, if possible, other seats for the Deputations who are now in positions where with great inconvenience they are able to attend to their duties.

The President appointed as such Committee the Rev. Dr. Roberts of New Hampshire, the Rev. Dr. Sills of Maine, and Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania. [For the report of the Committee see p. 277.]

Mr. Lightner of Minnesota presented invitations from the Chamber of Commerce and the Commercial Club of the city of St. Paul, to visit that city; and on his motion it was

Resolved, That the House of Deputies accept the invitation of the Chamber of Commerce of the city of St. Paul to visit and take a drive through St. Paul, and hereby designate the afternoon of Thursday, October 10, as the time for such visit.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota, the rule adopted at yesterday's session was amended, by making the hour of recess from 1 to 3, and the afternoon session from 3 to 5.30 o'clock.

On motion, the House adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, October 4, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Parks of Pennsylvania, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Nebraska.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following members, not previously present, appeared and took their seats: the Rev. Mr. Dodge of Georgia, the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Western New York, and Mr. Cobb of Chicago.

Mr. Battle of North Carolina presented a memorial from that Diocese praying for a setting off of a portion of its territory as a

Missionary Jurisdiction; which memorial was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [For the report of the Committee see p. 323.]

The Rev. Dr. Alsop of Long Island presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. Charles H. Hall of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Olmsted of Central New York presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. R. A. Olin of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Roberts of New Hampshire presented memorials of the late Rev. Dr. H. A. Coit and Mr. George Olcott of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Taylor of Springfield presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. J. M. C. Fulton of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Drane of East Carolina presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. N. C. Hughes of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Potwine of Oregon presented a memorial of the late Rev. W. L. MacEwan of that Diocese, — all of which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee, Appendix VII.]

The Rev. Dr. Henshaw of Rhode Island presented a memorial from that Diocese on the subject of Christian Unity, which was referred to the Commission on Christian Unity. [For the report of the Committee see p. 207.]

The Rev. Dr. Lobdell of Western New York presented a resolution of the Council of that Diocese on the subject of the observance of the anniversary of the death of Washington, which resolution was referred to the Church University Board of Regents. [For the report of the Board see Appendix XIII.]

The Rev. Dr. Carey of Albany offered the following preamble and resolution, which were referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book:

WHEREAS, There is diversity in the saying of the Gloria Patri after the Psalms; and also in that portion of the Litany preceding the Lord's Prayer and beginning with the petition, "O Christ, hear us," thereby leading to confusion among worshippers, in the Church Service; therefore,

Resolved, That the consideration of this matter be referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book, to report to this body what, in their judgment, should be the correct usage.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 230.]

On motion of Mr. McMaster of Missouri, it was

Resolved, That we do hereby request of the Right Reverend the Bishop of Western New York a copy of the sermon preached by him at the opening Services of this Convention, and direct that fifteen hundred copies of the same be printed for the use of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Roberts of New Hampshire, it was

Resolved, That this House record its cordial approval and high appreciation of the courage and faithfulness to exalted trusts with which the Executive and Legislature of the State of Texas have used the sacred powers of government vested in them for the suppression of prize fighting, making it a crime before the law as it is a crime before the moral sense of a Christian community.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 3d day of the Session,
October 4, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 3.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it is ready to meet with the House of Deputies as the Board of Missions.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee, it was

Resolved, That reports from the Committee on Constitutional Amendments and from the Committee on Canons shall be in order at any time when there is not a special order of the House under consideration.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report :

REPORT No. 3.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonial has been received, entitling Rev. Joseph E. Martin, D.D., of the Diocese of Tennessee, to a seat, in place of Rev. Samuel Ringgold, D.D., unable to attend.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

Whereupon the Rev. Dr. Martin appeared and took his seat.

On motion, the House adjourned to meet with the House of Bishops as the Board of Missions.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, October 4, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Swope of West Virginia, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following members, not previously present, appeared and took their seats : the Rev. Mr. MacLean of Michigan, the Rev. Dr. Baker of New Jersey, the Rev. Dr. Murdock of North Carolina,

the Rev. Dr. Porter of South Carolina, the Rev. Mr. Groton of Rhode Island, Mr. Parker of Colorado, Mr. Conover of New Jersey, and Mr. Short of Southern Ohio.

The President announced the appointment of the following members on the Commission on Christian Unity to fill vacancies: the Rev. Dr. Stone of Chicago, the Rev. Mr. Brewster of Long Island, the Rev. Dr. Lawrence of Massachusetts, and Mr. Fairbanks of Florida.

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of Maryland, praying for a division of that Diocese, so that the new Diocese shall consist of the District of Columbia and the counties of Prince George's, Montgomery, St. Mary's, and Charles, respectfully report that all the Constitutional requirements have been fully complied with, and recommend that the House of Deputies adopt the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That consent be given to the erection of a new Diocese with the territory above stated, within the limits of the existing Diocese of Maryland.

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman*.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 226.]

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted.

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of California, praying for a division of that Diocese, so as to include in the new Diocese the counties of Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, and San Diego, respectfully report that all the Constitutional requirements have been fully complied with. They recommend that the House of Deputies adopt the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That consent be given to the erection of a new Diocese with the territory above stated within the limits of the existing Diocese of California.

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman*.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 226.]

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of Kentucky, praying for a division of that Diocese, so that the new Diocese shall consist of the counties of Boone, Gallatin, Owen, Franklin, Anderson, Mercer, Boyle, Casey, Pulaski, Wayne, and all the territory in the State of Kentucky lying east of these, respectfully report that all the Constitutional requirements have been fully complied with. They recommend that the House of Deputies adopt the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That consent be given to the erection of a new Diocese in the territory above stated within the limits of the existing Diocese of Kentucky.

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman*.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 226.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on Canons respectfully report, that on the third day of the session, Oct. 5, 1895, they met for organization, the Rev. F. P. Davenport, D.D., of Tennessee, being Chairman, and appointed the Rev. F. W. Taylor, D.D., of Springfield to be their Secretary.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed new Canon establishing and regulating a Provincial System, respectfully report as follows:

The establishment of any system of provinces will require an amendment of the Constitution, such amendment being now proposed by the Commission on Revision of the Constitution and Canons. The Committee, therefore, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed new Canon establishing a State Chapter, respectfully report as follows:

In view of the proposal of a revised body of Canons, the Canon here proposed is unnecessary, and therefore the Committee offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of this subject.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT No. 4.

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred a proposed new Canon directing the appointment of a Chancellor in every Diocese, respectfully report as follows :

The Committee consider such a Canon as a subject for Diocesan action, and therefore offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of this subject.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

The Rev. Dr. Duncan, from the Commission on Christian Unity, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT No. 1.

The Commission on Christian Unity respectfully reports and recommends the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Christian Unity have leave to print its correspondence, embracing all communications received by them together with their replies thereto.

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, *Secretary*.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 216.]

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT No. 2.

The Commission on Christian Unity, to whom was referred a memorial from the Diocese of Rhode Island, respectfully reports that inasmuch as the subject matter thereof will be fully covered in the final report of your Commission, they do not deem any action necessary at the present time. They therefore ask the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Commission be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, *Secretary*.

Mr. Hornor of Arkansas presented a memorial of the late Mr. Logan H. Roots of that Diocese ; the Rev. Mr. Schouler of Easton presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. Theodore P. Barber, of that Diocese ; the Rev. Mr. Beckwith of Texas presented a memorial of the late Rev. S. M. Bird of that Diocese ; Mr. Robin-

son of Kentucky presented a memorial of the late Mr. William Cornwall of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Prall of Michigan presented a memorial of the late Mr. Henry P. Baldwin of that Diocese; all of which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee see Appendix VII.]

The Rev. Mr. Francis of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Tokyo presented a memorial from the Convocation of that Jurisdiction, praying for a division of the Jurisdiction, which memorial was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [For the report of the Committee see p. 228.]

The Rev. Dr. Ward of Kentucky presented a resolution of the Council of that Diocese, requesting that the next General Convention should meet in the city of Louisville; and offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee (when appointed) on the place of holding the next Convention:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the next General Convention be held in the city of Louisville, Kentucky.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 225.]

On motion of Mr. Morgan of New York, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee of five be appointed to act with a similar Committee of the House of Bishops on the selection of the place of meeting for the General Convention of 1898.

The President appointed, as members of the foregoing Committee, the Rev. Dr. Ward of Kentucky, the Rev. Dr. Parks of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Lindsay of Massachusetts, Mr. Morgan of New York, and Mr. Earl of Albany.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota, it was

Resolved, That the permission of this House be given to the Church Building Fund Commission to use this church for a public meeting on such evening next week as may be most expedient.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Joint Committee to prepare a Standard Book of Common Prayer, presented a Supplemental Report [see Appendix XV.], and the following resolution appended to the report was, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Standard Prayer Book be authorized to print from the type of the Standard one hundred and ten additional copies of the book, and to dispose of them to subscribers or otherwise.

[For action of the House of Bishops, see p. 216.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York, it was

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this House be given to the Joint Committee on the Standard Prayer Book for the careful attention bestowed upon the work committed to them, and the successful termination of their labours.

Mr. Fairbanks of Florida offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the proposed amendment to Article 5 of the Constitution, passed at the General Convention of 1892, be now taken up for final action.

Pending discussion of the resolution [see p. 214], the House, on motion, went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Packard of Maryland in the chair.

The Committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. On motion, leave was granted.

The following communication was presented to the House by the Secretary :

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., October 4, 1895.

To the House of Deputies of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church :

DEAR BRETHREN:—The Northern Minnesota Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now in session at Minneapolis, receives the Christian Greetings from your distinguished Body and cordially responds in the same brotherly spirit.

We rejoice at the presence of this General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this city, and pray that the choicest blessings of our common Lord may rest upon you and your great Church.

I take great pleasure in transmitting to your Honourable Body the above resolutions which were unanimously adopted by the Conference to-day.

J. B. HINGELEY,
Secretary, Northern Minnesota Conference.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 7, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Knight of Georgia, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Florida.

The Minutes of Saturday's session were read, and approved.

The following members, not previously present, appeared and took their seats : the Rev. Dr. Harwood of Connecticut, the Rev.

Mr. Reese of Georgia, the Rev. Dr. Shoup of Tennessee, the Rev. Dr. Grammer of Virginia, Mr. Bennett of Massachusetts, Mr. Nash of New York, and Mr. Thompson of Oklahoma.

The Secretary presented the following invitation, which, on motion, was accepted with the thanks of the House :

To the General Convention :

I take great pleasure in extending to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church a most cordial invitation to visit the University of Minnesota, at some time during the session of the Convention. The Faculty and students of the University will be delighted to receive the members of the Convention, either in a body or as individuals, according to the convenience of the Convention.

CYRUS NORTHROP,
President of the University of Minnesota.

Mr. Burgwin, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Rules, to whom was referred a motion of the Rev. G. F. Breed for the addition of a Rule of Order that this House be called to prayer for Missions by the President at noon of each day's session, respectfully report :

While sympathizing with the purpose of this motion we do not think it would be opportune to interrupt the proceedings of the House at a fixed hour without regard to the nature of the proceedings then pending. We think the object in view could be better attained by a request from the House to those conducting Morning Prayer to introduce in its proper place the Prayer for Missions provided in our Book of Common Prayer.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted, by order of the Committee,
HILL BURGWIN, *Chairman.*

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on Rules, to whom was referred a resolution offered by Mr. Biddle of Philadelphia, that when sitting as a Committee of the Whole a record be kept of the vote upon any resolution which is submitted to the Committee and placed upon the Journal, respectfully report :

We are informed by the Secretary that as, in fact, his official duty, he does keep a record of all votes in Committee, but we do not consider it necessary or even proper that these votes be published in the Journal.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Committee,
HILL BURGWIN, *Chairman.*

Mr. Sowdon of Massachusetts presented memorials of the late Bishop Brooks, Mr. George C. Shattuck, Mr. Robert C. Winthrop, and Mr. Alexander H. Rice of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Sills of Maine presented a memorial of the late Rev. W. H. Washburn of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Marshall of Colorado presented a memorial of the late Mr. George J. Boal of that Diocese; Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee presented memorials of the late Rev. Dr. W. B. Ashley and Rev. Dr. David Keene of that Diocese; Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania presented a memorial of the late Mr. Lemuel Coffin of that Diocese; all of which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee see Appendix VII.]

Mr. Edmunds of Vermont offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution :

Resolved, That Article 1, Section 1, of the proposed Constitution be amended as follows :

After the word " allowed " in line 4 insert the following : " But each House may make rules for the prevention of any abuse of the freedom of debate hereby secured, and may, by rule, provide for limiting debate upon subsidiary, incidental, and collateral questions and questions requiring the action of one House only, and, upon the question of the final passage or other final disposition of any measure requiring the concurrence of both houses, it may provide for the termination of debate after such question shall have been open for debate for the period of three hours."

[For the report of the Committee see p. 228.]

The Rev. Dr. Lawrence of Massachusetts, on behalf of the Bishop and Deputation of that Diocese, presented an invitation for the next General Convention to meet in the city of Boston, which was referred to the Committee on the place for holding the next Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Knight of Georgia offered the following resolution, which was referred to the same Committee :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the next General Convention be held in the city of Atlanta, Georgia.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 225.]

The Rev. Dr. Prall, from the Deputation of this Church to the Provincial Synod of the Canadian Church, presented the following report :

The Deputation appointed by the last General Convention to convey the greetings of this Church to the Provincial Synod of the Canadian

Church do respectfully report, that they proceeded to the city of Montreal (Mr. Arthur J. C. Sowdon being substituted in the place and stead of Mr. John Nicholas Brown, unable to attend), and that on the 12th day of September, 1895, they were formally introduced to his Grace the Archbishop of Ontario, Metropolitan and Presiding Bishop, in the presence of the whole Synod.

At the invitation of the Archbishop they conveyed many messages of good will and kind esteem, which were gratefully and graciously responded to by the Archbishop and the Very Rev. James Carmichael, the Prolocutor of the House of Deputies.

Your Deputation begs leave to report, that, in their estimation, much good is done by the interchange of greetings between the two Churches of the United States and Canada, both to the members of the Churches, as also to the citizens of the two countries which are so contiguous, and which have so many interests in common.

They respectfully recommend that, as the Provinces of the Church in Canada have lately united and formed a Synod for the whole Church in that land, that in future no Deputation be sent to the Provincial Synod of Canada, as heretofore, but to the General Synod, which Synod, as they are informed, is to meet in the city of Winnipeg, in the Archdiocese of Rupert's Land, in the month of September, 1896, and they beg leave to show that this action, recommended, is in accordance with the action taken by the Canadian Church.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY A. NEELY, *Bishop of Maine.*

THOS. F. DAVIES, *Bishop of Michigan.*

JOHN WESLEY BROWN.

WILLIAM PRALL.

JOHN MARSHALL BROWN.

A. J. C. SOWDON.

[For the action of the House see p. 277.]

Mr. Sowdon of Massachusetts offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops be requested to consider the question of setting forth a short form of prayer for use in all the Churches on the morning of the Fourth day of July in each year.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 229.]

The Rev. Mr. Potwine of Oregon presented memorials from that Diocese (1) on providing against the introduction of false doctrine in the Church, and (2) as to the Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops; which memorials were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church. [For the report of the Committee see p. 278.]

The Rev. Dr. Drowne of Long Island presented the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, which was referred to the Committee on that Institution. [For the report of the Trustees see Appendix IV. For the report of the Committee see p. 274.]

Mr. Prince of New Mexico offered the following resolutions, which were referred to the Committee on Rules of Order :

Resolved, That the Committee on Rules be requested to consider, and report as to the expediency of, the addition to the list of Committees of this House, a Committee on Miscellaneous Resolutions, to which all resolutions not sent to other Committees shall be referred, unless otherwise ordered by the House.

Resolved, That the Committee on Rules be requested to consider the expediency of adopting a rule declining to accept further invitations which interfere with the regular business sessions of the House.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 240.]

The Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article IX. of the Constitution :

Add to Article VIII. the following, to wit: "But nothing in this Article shall be so construed as to restrain any Bishop of this Church from taking under his spiritual oversight, or any Diocesan Convention or Council from receiving into union with itself, congregations of Christian people, not theretofore in communion with this Church, whose ministers shall consent to receive Episcopal ordination, and who, themselves, accepting the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds, shall covenant, as may be prescribed by Canon, to use in their public worship such form or directory as the said Bishop shall set forth and authorize: *Provided*, such form or directory contain or enjoin nothing contrary to the Faith of this Church, make provision for the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation, and require in connection with the administration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Supper of the Lord, the unfailing use of the elements ordained by Christ himself."

[For the report of the Committee see p. 260.]

The Rev. Dr. Dresser of Springfield offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church :

Resolved, That this House requests the Committee on the State of the Church to ask the attention of the Bishops to the infraction, in many parts of the Church, of the Canon governing Lay Readers, by the growing custom of Lay Readers preaching sermons of their own composition, and reading portions of the office for the Administration of the Holy Communion.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 278.]

The Rev. Dr. Baker of New Jersey offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons :

Resolved, That Title III., Canon 1, § 2 [1] be amended by striking out in line 3 the numeral 17, and substituting 20 in its place, making it read "Canon 20," etc.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 219.]

The Rev. Dr. Nelson of Western New York offered the following resolution which was placed on the Calendar :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the resolution of the General Convention of 1871 which forbids the Hymnal being bound up with the Book of Common Prayer be and hereby is rescinded.

[For the consideration of the resolution see p. 294.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee, the resolution offered by him on the first day of the session (relating to printing papers on the subject of Christian Unity) was taken from the Calendar, and, with the consent of the House, was withdrawn.

On motion of the same gentleman, the resolution offered by him on the first day of the session (relating to the Pastoral Letter) was taken from the Calendar, and, with the consent of the House, was withdrawn.

Mr. Prince of New Mexico offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted :

WHEREAS, The public Service of the American Church Building Fund Commission has been fixed for Monday evening, October 14;

Resolved, That this House give permission for the use of this Church for that purpose.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota, the resolution offered by him on the first day of the session (relating to the Pastoral Letter) was taken from the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Elliott of Maryland offered the following amendment :

Resolved, That the House of Deputies express to the Reverend Fathers in the House of Bishops its thanks for their Pastoral Letter of October 18, 1894.

Resolved, That this House respectfully submits to the judgment of the Reverend Fathers in the House of Bishops the propriety of issuing the Pastoral Letter of October, 1894, under the provisions of Title I., Canon 20, § iii., of the Digest.

On motion, the whole subject was laid on the table.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the resolution offered by Mr. Fairbanks of Florida, on the fourth day of the session. [See p. 209.] On motion, the whole subject was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, with instructions to report at the earliest practicable day. [For the report of the Committee see p. 218.]

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day ; viz., the report

of the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, and, on motion, went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Packard of Maryland in the chair.

The Committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. On motion, leave was granted.

The House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, the Rev. Dr. Beatty from the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following report :

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report, that on examination of the Journal of 1892, they find the following Joint Committees and Commissions appointed to report to this Convention, viz. :

I. On Ecclesiastical Relations.

On Christian Unity.

On the Provincial System.

On the Orders of the Church in Sweden.

On the Standard Prayer Book. [This report has been received.]

On the Hymnal.

On Uniform Pointing of the Canticles and Psalter.

On the Translation of the Book of Common Prayer into Foreign Languages.

On the Revision of the Constitution and Canons. [This report is now under consideration.]

On Marginal Readings in the Bible.

On Archives.

Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society.

Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

Standing Committee on Churches in Foreign Lands.

II. Amendments to the Constitution.

On substituting the Title "Bishop Coadjutor" for "Assistant Bishop" wherever it occurs in the Constitution. [See pp. 349 and 394-5.]

Amendments to Article 5 concerning the cession of territory by a Diocese for a Missionary Jurisdiction. [See p. 249.] These Amendments come before us for final action.

Amendment to Article 2, reducing the number of Deputies, introduced by Mr. Craighill of West Virginia. [See p. 175.] Referred to this Convention. [See p. 225.]

Various Amendments to the Constitution and Canons were proposed at the last Convention, which were finally referred to the Commission on Revision, upon which they have reported. Others not so referred have, nevertheless, been considered, and are to be found in the report of the Commission. It seems unnecessary to give these in detail.

III. Amendment to Canons.

Amendment to the Canon on Marriage and Divorce, introduced by Mr. Burgwin [see p. 196], reported on by Committee of Conference. [See p. 382.]

Pending the consideration of this report the House adjourned for the day. [See p. 383.] On motion of the Rev. Mr. Bennitt of Newark, the subject was referred to this Convention. [See p. 391.]

The report on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen was referred to the Committee on Canons, but they have not reported on the subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. BEATTY, *Chairman*.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 4th day of the Session,
October 5, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 4.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed to fill vacancies, on its part, in the Joint Commission on Christian Unity, the Bishop of Michigan and the Assistant Bishop of Tennessee.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 5th day of the Session,
October 7, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 5.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred in the resolution contained in Message No. 6 from the House of Deputies, and that it has appointed as members, on its part, of the Joint Committee on the selection of the place of meeting of the General Convention of 1898, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Georgia, and the Bishop of Massachusetts.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 5th day of the Session,
October 7, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 6.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 7 from the House of Deputies, giving leave to the Commission on Christian Unity to print its correspondence.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 5th day of the Session,
October 7, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 7.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 8 from the House of Deputies, authorizing the Joint Committee on the Standard Book of Common Prayer to print additional copies from the type of said book.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report :

REPORT No. 4.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonial has been received entitling Mr. William Goldsborough of Easton to a seat in this Convention in place of Mr. E. L. Hardcastle, unable to attend.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

On motion, the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Packard of Maryland in the chair.

The Committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. On motion, leave was granted.

Mr. Paine of Massachusetts offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Expenses :

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to cause to be printed at the close of each day's session of the Committee of the Whole all action which shall have been adopted on that day, or amendments which are pending before the Committee.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 231.]

On motion, the House adjourned.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, October 8, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Alsop of Long Island, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of West Virginia.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The following members, not previously present, appeared and took their seats :

The Rev. Mr. Aves of Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Sweet of Quincy, Mr. Skiddy of Connecticut, Mr. Goldsborough of Easton, Mr. Van Wagenen of Newark, and Mr. Daniels of Southern Ohio.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred the proposed change from the name "Constitution" to "Constitutions," and the incidental changes necessitated thereby, has had the matter under consideration, and begs leave to report as follows :

In this day of revision, the Committee is specially impressed with the importance of scrutinizing, even more carefully than heretofore, every

proposed change in the Constitution, and therefore feels itself unable to give its recommendation to any suggested alterations when the reasons for adhering to the old are as strong as those for a change.

The reasons for originally adopting the word "Constitution" were, in the judgment of your Committee, commendable and sufficient, and there seems even now to be no general confusion of thought as to the meaning of the word, as signifying not a granting of powers, but an agreed limitation of procedure.

Moreover, the document now bearing the title "Constitution" is one thing, not many, and should therefore be named in the singular.

And, finally, your Committee is convinced that whatever objections may exist against the use of the word "Constitution," must be removed in some other way than by merely pluralizing that word.

The Committee therefore recommends the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,
W. R. HUNTINGTON, *Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Elliott from the same Committee presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to which was referred the resolution of Mr. Fairbanks of Florida, to wit, "*Resolved*, That the proposed amendment to Article 5 of the Constitution, passed at the General Convention of 1892, be now taken up for final action"; begs leave respectfully to report:

The amendment in question was proposed in the General Convention of 1889, the House of Deputies acting favourably upon it on the sixteenth day of the session, and the House of Bishops concurring on the eighteenth day.

When the question of agreeing to or ratifying the amendment in the ensuing General Convention in 1892 came up, it appeared that the amendment had not been made known to the several Diocesan Conventions in conformity with the following provision of Article 9 of the Constitution: "All alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions before they shall be agreed to or ratified in the ensuing Convention."

The House of Bishops, however, on the second day of the session adopted the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, The House of Deputies concurring, That the amendment to the Fifth Article of the Constitution proposed in the resolution passed in the Convention of 1889 be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed, the said resolution being in the following words"; quoting the amendment.

This action was not communicated to the House of Deputies.

In the House of Deputies on the fourth day of the session, Mr. Fairbanks of Florida offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, That the amendment to the Fifth Article of the Constitution passed at the last General Convention be taken up for consideration; and on the seventh day the House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, viz.: the resolution of Mr. Fairbanks of Florida made on the fourth day of the session. On motion, the proposed amendment referred to in the resolution of Mr. Fairbanks was adopted.

But this action of the House of Deputies was not communicated to the House of Bishops.

In February, 1895, the Secretary of the House of Deputies sent out a duly certified notice of the amendment to the several Diocesan Conventions, but in this notice, for which there is no form prescribed by law, he recognized the existence of constitutional difficulties in the case by certifying only that the amendment had been "adopted," and not, as customary, that it had been "constitutionally adopted."

In view of the foregoing, it appears to your Committee,

First, That though the amendment in question was duly proposed in the General Convention of 1889, the action of the ensuing Convention of 1892 cannot, in any event, be regarded as finally agreeing to it, for the reason that the amendment had not been made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, as required by Article 9 of the Constitution.

Second, That the action of the Convention of 1892 cannot be regarded as the first proposal of this amendment, to be followed by ratification in this Convention of 1895, for the reasons that there was no communication by either House of its action to the other House, and especially there was no communication by the House of Deputies to the House of Bishops, whereas Article 3 of the Constitution provides "when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops."

And, again, the notice of the action in 1892 was sent out too late to be made known to all the Diocesan Conventions, — the Conventions, in some of the Dioceses, not having assembled since the issuance of such notice.

The Committee, therefore, is of opinion that the action which has been already taken has no validity, and that whatever may be done on the subject must be done *de novo*, and it recommends that the resolution of Mr. Fairbanks be not adopted.

For the Committee,

W. R. HUNTINGTON, *Chairman*.

With the consent of the House, Mr. Fairbanks of Florida withdrew the resolution offered by him on the fourth day of the session. [See p. 209.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment of Title III., Canon 1, § ii. [1], respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 1, § ii. [1], be amended so as to read as follows: "The journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents which are named under Title I., Canon 20, entitled *Of the Mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church*, together with all other articles that are now, or shall hereafter become, the property of either House of the General Convention of this Church, shall be committed, when not otherwise expressly provided for, to the keeping of a Presbyter to be elected by the House of Deputies, upon nomination of the House of Bishops, who shall be known as the Registrar of the General Convention."

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

[For action of the House of Bishops see p. 235.]

The Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York presented the report of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer [see Appendix XIV.], and, on his motion, the resolution appended to the report was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book. [For the report of the Committee see p. 229.]

The Rev. Dr. Bates of Ohio presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. Lewis Burton of that Diocese; Mr. Graves of Connecticut presented a memorial of the late Mr. A. M. Wainwright of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Gold of Chicago presented a memorial of the late Mr. S. Corning Judd of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Potwine of Oregon presented a memorial of the late Mr. Matthew P. Deady of that Diocese; all of which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee see Appendix VII.]

Mr. Fairbanks of Florida presented a resolution of the Council of that Diocese desiring action by this Convention on the subject of an "Authorized Table of Degrees of Kindred and Affinity," which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [For the report of the Committee see p. 302.]

The Rev. Dr. Parks of Massachusetts presented a memorial from certain persons in that Diocese asking for the insertion in the Hymnal of the hymn known as "America." On motion, the memorial was placed on the Calendar. [For further consideration see p. 307.]

The Rev. Mr. Bennitt of Newark offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, That the title "Bishop Coadjutor" be substituted for "Assistant Bishop" wherever it occurs in the Constitution.

[For the action of the House see p. 234.]

Mr. Stiness of Rhode Island offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That Title I., Canon 19, § xii., of the Canons be amended as follows:

After the word "States" in the sixth line of the printed Canon insert the words "or in case of temporary disability"; and between the words "Diocese" and "*Provided*" insert the following words: "and if the disability of the Bishop, certified by his medical adviser, shall be such as to prevent such authorization, the Standing Committee shall thereupon be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese so long as it shall continue."

[For the report of the Committee see p. 263.]

Mr. Stockton of Western New York offered the following resolution, which was not adopted :

Resolved, That the vote of the House taken yesterday, adopting the report of the Committee on Rules relative to noonday Mission Prayer, be reconsidered.

The Rev. Dr. Morrison of Albany offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 4, § iii., be amended by inserting after the words "General Convention" the words "And shall certify that a majority of all the Clergy and of the parishes and congregations of the proposed new Diocese, and the same proportions in the remaining territory, have given their consent to the division."

[For the report of the Committee see p. 250.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Egar of Central New York, the resolutions offered by him on the second day of the session [see p. 193] and reported upon adversely this morning by the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution [see p. 217], were placed upon the Calendar. [For the action of the House in concurrence with the House of Bishops see p. 222.]

Mr. Henry of Iowa offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xii., be amended to read as follows :

It shall be the duty of a Bishop whenever leaving his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction for the space of three calendar months, to authorize, by writing under his hand and seal, the Bishop Coadjutor, or should there be none, the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof. The Bishop Coadjutor or Standing Committee so authorized shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority until the Bishop shall return within the Diocese.

[For the report of the Committee see pp. 263, 295.]

The Rev. Mr. Beaven of Easton offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church :

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that some special day ought to be set apart for taking up a collection throughout the Church for the General Clergy Relief Fund, and we would respectfully suggest All Saints' Day.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 278.]

The Rev. Dr. Bliss of Vermont offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 6, § 10, be amended by striking out the figure 7 and inserting in its place the figure 6.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 249.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Baker, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer have authority to keep the Standard Book and the documents referred to in his report, in the fire-proof vault of the Church Missions House, New York.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 235.]

Mr. Forsyth of Louisiana presented an invitation from the Bishop and Deputation of that Diocese to the General Convention that the next meeting of the Convention be held in the City of New Orleans. On motion of the same gentleman the invitation was referred to the Joint Committee on the subject. [For the report of the Committee see p. 225.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 5th day of the Session,
October 7, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 8.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

Strike out the Title and insert in place thereof the following :

“ Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that Portion of the Catholic Church known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America ”; adding thereto the sub-title, “ Constitutions.”

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in the foregoing Message by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Newark, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, West Missouri, Western Michigan, Western New York, — 47.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Newark, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Western New York, — 36.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, Virginia, West Virginia, — 5.

LAY VOTE. — Georgia, Maryland, Missouri, Southern Virginia, Vermont, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 8.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — New York, — 1.

LAY VOTE. — Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Minnesota, Pittsburgh, Southern Ohio, — 6.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 5th day of the Session,
October 7, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 9.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution the following :

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Synod of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Synod must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction by reason of advanced age or infirmity shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdiction and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops and shall be called the Primate. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Synod or, for its own needs, by the House of Bishops. The Primate shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be removed for disability or canonical cause.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese, which shall have been admitted to the General Synod, shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than three Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and three Laymen, communicants of this Church and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one order only, such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the General Synod.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the vote of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Synod shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days, or to any place other than that in which the Synod shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church shall have seats in the House of Deputies without the right to vote.

II.

The General Synod shall meet in every third year at such time and place as shall be appointed by the Synod; and if there shall appear to the Primate sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Synod.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The House, on motion, proceeded to consider the foregoing Message. Section 1 being under consideration, on motion, the word "Convention" was substituted for the word "Synod."

Section 2 being under consideration, Mr. Prince of New Mexico moved to strike out the words "Bishop Coadjutor," and to substitute therefor the words "Assistant Bishop."

On a vote by Dioceses and Orders, the motion failed of adoption by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Central Pennsylvania, Easton, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island, Southern Virginia, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, — 15.

LAY VOTE. — Arkansas, California, Central New York, Connecticut, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pittsburgh, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 21.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Fond du Lac, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Newark, North Carolina, Quincy, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Tennessee, Vermont, West Missouri, Western Michigan, Western New York, — 34.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Florida, Fond du Lac, Maine, Milwaukee, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Springfield, Tennessee, Western New York, — 22.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Delaware, East Carolina, New Jersey, New York, — 4.

LAY VOTE. — Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Michigan, Minnesota, Vermont, — 6.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonial has been received entitling the Rev. John S. Gibson of West Virginia to a seat in this Convention in place of Rev. Rob't D. Roller, D.D., unable to attend.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

Mr. Sowdon of Massachusetts presented the Triennial Report of the Treasurer [see Appendix XIX.] of the Convention, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Expenses. [For the report of the Committee see p. 241.]

The Rev. Dr. Ward, from the special Committee on the place of meeting of the next General Convention, presented the following report, which was placed on the Calendar :

The Joint Committee upon the place of meeting of the next General Convention, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the next General Convention be held in the City of Boston, Mass.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Committee,

E. H. WARD,

Chairman on part of House of Deputies.

Mr. Robinson of Kentucky offered the following amendment to the foregoing resolution :

Resolved, That the words "Boston, Mass.," be stricken out and the words "Louisville, Kentucky," be inserted in lieu thereof.

[For the consideration of the resolution and the amendment see p. 233.]

The House resumed the consideration of Message No. 9 from the House of Bishops. Various amendments were offered to Section 2 and not adopted.

The House proceeded to the consideration of Section 3.

A motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania to strike out the word "Primate" and insert the words "Presiding Bishop" was not adopted.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 10.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 2, consenting to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of Maryland.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 11.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 3, consenting to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of California.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 12.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 4, consenting to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of Kentucky.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 9, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Ohl of Colorado, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of New York.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following members, not previously present, appeared and took their seats: the Rev. Dr. Holland of Missouri, Mr. Winslow of Milwaukee, and Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 6.

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that the proper testimonials have been received entitling Mr. Henry Wells of Vermont to a seat in this Convention in place of Mr. George F. Edmunds, granted leave of absence.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 4.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the memorial of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, praying for its erection into a Diocese of this Church, and to be admitted into union with the General Convention, as the Diocese of Northern Michigan, respectfully report, that following precedents established in the case of Colorado and of Oregon, they recommend for the adoption of the House of Deputies the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a certified record of the due calling in the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, of a primary convocation or assembly to consider the question of diocesan organization at St. Paul's Church, Marquette, September 30, 1895; and,

WHEREAS, said Convocation met accordingly and unanimously voted to organize a Diocese whose boundaries should be coterminous with the bounds of said Missionary Jurisdiction; and,

WHEREAS, said Convocation has acceded to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and has adopted the same; and,

WHEREAS, the Diocese thus organized has more than six Presbyters canonically and constitutionally qualified to organize a Diocese and more than six parishes; and,

WHEREAS, besides the annual contributions for three years last past of an average amount of nine hundred dollars (\$900) for Diocesan purposes, and besides specific pledges for Episcopal support of seven hundred dollars (\$700) annually, there are securities, notes, contracts, and declarations of trust in the hands of those charged with the endowment of the proposed Diocese to the amount of twenty-four thousand five hundred dollars (\$24,500) for an Episcopal Fund; and,

WHEREAS, the requirements of Article V. of the Constitution of the General Convention have thus been fully complied with; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring. That the General Convention give its consent to the erection of the Diocese of Northern Michigan with boundaries coterminous with those of the previous Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan.

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 245.]

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Tokyo, praying for the division of that Jurisdiction, beg leave respectfully to report that, without entering into the question of the expediency of such a division in the particular instance, they find that previous precedent and usage have left the division of Missionary Jurisdiction in the hands of the House of Bishops. [See Journal of 1865, p. 116, and Journal of 1871, p. 197, and Journal of 1892, pp. 238 and 239.]

That no duty, therefore, rests upon your Committee or on the House of Deputies in this matter, and they recommend the passage of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses be discharged from further consideration of the Memorial of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Tokyo.

By order of the Committee,
C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman*.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report, which was placed on the Calendar :

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to whom was referred the resolution of Mr. Edmunds of Vermont, proposing to amend Article I. of the Constitution by adding to the final words "And in all business of the Convention freedom of debate shall be allowed," these words following, to wit, "But each House may make rules for the prevention of any abuse of the freedom of debate hereby secured, and may, by rule, provide for limiting debate upon subsidiary, incidental, and collateral questions, and questions requiring the action of one House only; and upon the question of the final passage or final disposition of any measure requiring the concurrence of both Houses it may provide for the termination of debate after such question shall have been open for debate for the period of three hours";

Respectfully report that in their opinion the object sought to be attained, namely, the harmonizing the language of the Constitution with the existence of rules governing and limiting discussion, is a good one, but they would prefer to see it stated in briefer form.

They therefore recommend the passage of the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change in Article I. of the Constitution be proposed to this Convention, and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, in order that it may be formally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention :

Add to the Article at the end thereof, after the word "allowed" these words following :

"But either House may make necessary and reasonable rules for the prevention of any abuse of this privilege."

For the Committee,
WM. R. HUNTINGTON, *Chairman*.

[For the consideration of the report see p. 309.]

The Rev. Dr. Duncan, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following report, which was placed on the Calendar :

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom was referred a resolution of Mr. Sowdon of Massachusetts, concerning the setting forth of a special Form of Devotions appropriate for use on Independence Day, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and intend to have somewhat to say in their General Report anent the subject suggested. They are mindful, however, that the Canons require that the Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops is to be a response to such general report, and that there is matter in this resolution that probably may not be appropriately so incorporated, and further that in respect thereto the House of Bishops is alone competent to act. Your Committee, therefore, submits the following resolution, and recommends its adoption :

Resolved, That the resolution of Mr. Sowdon of Massachusetts, suggesting the setting forth an Office for Independence Day, be transmitted to the House of Bishops, with the information that its prayer is endorsed by the Committee on the State of the Church of this House, and asking that its said prayer may be considered by that House.

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, *Chairman*.

[For the consideration of the report see p. 292.]

The Rev. Dr. Perkins, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred the resolution appended to the report of the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book, beg leave to report that they have considered the same, and that they recommend the same to the House of Deputies for its adoption.

E. T. PERKINS, *Chairman*.

A motion for the adoption of the resolution referred to in the foregoing report, viz. :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Book of Common Prayer, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention :

That on the first day of January in the year of our Lord 1900, the place of the Golden Numbers prefixed to several days in the Calendar, between the twenty-first day of March and the eighteenth day of April, both inclusive, be changed, and that the Golden Numbers be prefixed to days in the Calendar in March and April, as in the following table :

IN MARCH:		IN APRIL:	
	21		1
14	22	13	2
3	23	2	3
	24		4
11	25	10	5
	26		6
19	27	18	7

[For the report of the Committee see p. 249.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Baker, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer have authority to keep the Standard Book and the documents referred to in his report, in the fire-proof vault of the Church Missions House, New York.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 235.]

Mr. Forsyth of Louisiana presented an invitation from the Bishop and Deputation of that Diocese to the General Convention that the next meeting of the Convention be held in the City of New Orleans. On motion of the same gentleman the invitation was referred to the Joint Committee on the subject. [For the report of the Committee see p. 225.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 5th day of the Session,
October 7, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 8.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

Strike out the Title and insert in place thereof the following :

“Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that Portion of the Catholic Church known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America”; adding thereto the sub-title, “Constitutions.”

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in the foregoing Message by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Newark, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, West Missouri, Western Michigan, Western New York, — 47.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Newark, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Western New York, — 36.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, Virginia, West Virginia, — 5.

LAY VOTE. — Georgia, Maryland, Missouri, Southern Virginia, Vermont, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 8.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — New York, — 1.

LAY VOTE. — Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Minnesota, Pittsburgh, Southern Ohio, — 6.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 5th day of the Session,
October 7, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 9.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution the following :

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Synod of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Synod must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction by reason of advanced age or infirmity shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdiction and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops and shall be called the Primate. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Synod or, for its own needs, by the House of Bishops. The Primate shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be removed for disability or canonical cause.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese, which shall have been admitted to the General Synod, shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than three Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and three Laymen, communicants of this Church and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one order only, such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the General Synod.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Synod shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days, or to any place other than that in which the Synod shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church shall have seats in the House of Deputies without the right to vote.

II.

The General Synod shall meet in every third year at such time and place as shall be appointed by the Synod; and if there shall appear to the Primate sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Synod.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The House, on motion, proceeded to consider the foregoing Message. Section 1 being under consideration, on motion, the word "Convention" was substituted for the word "Synod."

Section 2 being under consideration, Mr. Prince of New Mexico moved to strike out the words "Bishop Coadjutor," and to substitute therefor the words "Assistant Bishop."

On a vote by Dioceses and Orders, the motion failed of adoption by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Central Pennsylvania, Easton, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island, Southern Virginia, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, — 15.

LAY VOTE. — Arkansas, California, Central New York, Connecticut, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pittsburgh, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 21.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Fond du Lac, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Newark, North Carolina, Quincy, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Tennessee, Vermont, West Missouri, Western Michigan, Western New York, — 34.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Florida, Fond du Lac, Maine, Milwaukee, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Springfield, Tennessee, Western New York, — 22.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Delaware, East Carolina, New Jersey, New York, — 4.

LAY VOTE. — Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Michigan, Minnesota, Vermont, — 6.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonial has been received entitling the Rev. John S. Gibson of West Virginia to a seat in this Convention in place of Rev. Rob't D. Roller, D.D., unable to attend.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

Mr. Sowdon of Massachusetts presented the Triennial Report of the Treasurer [see Appendix XIX.] of the Convention, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Expenses. [For the report of the Committee see p. 241.]

The Rev. Dr. Ward, from the special Committee on the place of meeting of the next General Convention, presented the following report, which was placed on the Calendar :

The Joint Committee upon the place of meeting of the next General Convention, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the next General Convention be held in the City of Boston, Mass.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Committee,

E. H. WARD,

Chairman on part of House of Deputies.

Mr. Robinson of Kentucky offered the following amendment to the foregoing resolution :

Resolved, That the words, "Boston, Mass.," be stricken out and the words "Louisville, Kentucky," be inserted in lieu thereof.

[For the consideration of the resolution and the amendment see p. 233.]

The House resumed the consideration of Message No. 9 from the House of Bishops. Various amendments were offered to Section 2 and not adopted.

The House proceeded to the consideration of Section 3.

A motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania to strike out the word "Primate" and insert the words "Presiding Bishop" was not adopted.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
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MESSAGE NO. 10.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 2, consenting to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of Maryland.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 11.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 3, consenting to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of California.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 12.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 4, consenting to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of Kentucky.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 9, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Ohl of Colorado, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of New York.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following members, not previously present, appeared and took their seats: the Rev. Dr. Holland of Missouri, Mr. Winslow of Milwaukee, and Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 6.

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that the proper testimonials have been received entitling Mr. Henry Wells of Vermont to a seat in this Convention in place of Mr. George F. Edmunds, granted leave of absence.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 4.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the memorial of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, praying for its erection into a Diocese of this Church, and to be admitted into union with the General Convention, as the Diocese of Northern Michigan, respectfully report, that following precedents established in the case of Colorado and of Oregon, they recommend for the adoption of the House of Deputies the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a certified record of the due calling in the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, of a primary convocation or assembly to consider the question of diocesan organization at St. Paul's Church, Marquette, September 30, 1895; and,

WHEREAS, said Convocation met accordingly and unanimously voted to organize a Diocese whose boundaries should be coterminous with the bounds of said Missionary Jurisdiction; and,

WHEREAS, said Convocation has acceded to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and has adopted the same; and,

WHEREAS, the Diocese thus organized has more than six Presbyters canonically and constitutionally qualified to organize a Diocese and more than six parishes; and,

WHEREAS, besides the annual contributions for three years last past of an average amount of nine hundred dollars (\$900) for Diocesan purposes, and besides specific pledges for Episcopal support of seven hundred dollars (\$700) annually, there are securities, notes, contracts, and declarations of trust in the hands of those charged with the endowment of the proposed Diocese to the amount of twenty-four thousand five hundred dollars (\$24,500) for an Episcopal Fund; and,

WHEREAS, the requirements of Article V. of the Constitution of the General Convention have thus been fully complied with; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention give its consent to the erection of the Diocese of Northern Michigan with boundaries coterminous with those of the previous Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan.

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

[For the consideration of the resolution and the amendment see p. 233.]

The House resumed the consideration of Message No. 9 from the House of Bishops. Various amendments were offered to Section 2 and not adopted.

The House proceeded to the consideration of Section 3.

A motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania to strike out the word "Primate" and insert the words "Presiding Bishop" was not adopted.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops.

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MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 10.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 2, consenting to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of Maryland.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 11.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 3, consenting to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of California.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 12.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 4, consenting to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of Kentucky.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 9, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Ohl of Colorado, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of New York.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following members, not previously present, appeared and took their seats: the Rev. Dr. Holland of Missouri, Mr. Winslow of Milwaukee, and Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 6.

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that the proper testimonials have been received entitling Mr. Henry Wells of Vermont to a seat in this Convention in place of Mr. George F. Edmunds, granted leave of absence.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 4.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the memorial of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, praying for its erection into a Diocese of this Church, and to be admitted into union with the General Convention, as the Diocese of Northern Michigan, respectfully report, that following precedents established in the case of Colorado and of Oregon, they recommend for the adoption of the House of Deputies the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a certified record of the due calling in the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, of a primary convocation or assembly to consider the question of diocesan organization at St. Paul's Church, Marquette, September 30, 1895; and,

WHEREAS, said Convocation met accordingly and unanimously voted to organize a Diocese whose boundaries should be conterminous with the bounds of said Missionary Jurisdiction; and,

WHEREAS, said Convocation has acceded to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and has adopted the same; and,

WHEREAS, the Diocese thus organized has more than six Presbyters canonically and constitutionally qualified to organize a Diocese and more than six parishes; and,

WHEREAS, besides the annual contributions for three years last past of an average amount of nine hundred dollars (\$900) for Diocesan purposes, and besides specific pledges for Episcopal support of seven hundred dollars (\$700) annually, there are securities, notes, contracts, and declarations of trust in the hands of those charged with the endowment of the proposed Diocese to the amount of twenty-four thousand five hundred dollars (\$24,500) for an Episcopal Fund; and,

WHEREAS, the requirements of Article V. of the Constitution of the General Convention have thus been fully complied with; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring. That the General Convention give its consent to the erection of the Diocese of Northern Michigan with boundaries conterminous with those of the previous Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan.

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman.*

Old and New Testaments the General Convention may authorize for the instruction of our people, and the House has appointed, as members on its part of the Commission, the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Vermont, and the Assistant Bishop of Tennessee.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, were referred to the House for consideration after the consideration of Message No. 9 is concluded:

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MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 18.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Strike out Article 6 of the Constitution, and insert the following after I. and II. of the Constitutions:

III.

SECTION 1. For the purposes declared in these Constitutions, and under the limitations therein prescribed, the General Synod is the Supreme Legislative Authority in this Church, and, in addition to such powers as are elsewhere in these Constitutions conferred upon it, shall have exclusive power to legislate upon the following subjects:

(a) The qualifications and conditions for making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons.

(b) The conditions for the formation, division, and rearrangement of Provinces and Dioceses, and the relations of Provinces and Dioceses to each other.

(c) The foreign relations of the Church.

SEC. 2. The General Synod shall also have power to enact Canons of Discipline, and exclusive power to enact Canons defining the offences for which Bishops, Presbyters, and Deacons may be tried, and determining the penalties; such penalties being admonition, or suspension, or deposition, or degradation from the Ministry. But whenever the sentence of suspension is pronounced, it shall specify on what terms, and at what time, the penalty shall cease.

The court for the trial of a Bishop shall be composed of Bishops only. The mode of trial of a Bishop and all proceedings regulating the same, including the form of the judgment to be rendered, and of the sentence thereupon, and the modification or remission of such sentence shall be prescribed by ordinances to be enacted by the House of Bishops.

The mode of trial of Presbyters and of Deacons, and the proceedings regulating the same, including the form of the judgment to be rendered and of the sentence thereupon, shall be prescribed by the Diocese in which such trial is had, or by the Province with the consent of the said Diocese.

All trials shall be public, except by the consent of the accused. No

one but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence upon any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

SEC. 3. The General Synod shall have further power to provide by Canon for the exercise of discipline by the Bishop of a Missionary District over Presbyters and Deacons canonically connected therewith, unless such provision have been made by the Province with which such District is united, and assented to by said Bishop.

SEC. 4. The powers not committed to the General Synod or to the Provincial Synods by these Constitutions, nor prohibited by it to the Dioceses, are reserved to the Dioceses respectively, save that no Diocese or Province shall legislate in regard to doctrine or worship. The right belongs to each Diocese to legislate for its own diocesan interests, and to delegate authority belonging to it, as is hereinafter provided, to the Province with which it is united as provided in IV.; but no Diocese or Province shall by its legislation contravene these Constitutions or any Canon of the General Synod enacted in conformity therewith.

Attest: • SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 19.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Amend the Constitution by inserting after III. of the Constitutions the following:

IV.

SECTION 1. The Dioceses and Missionary Districts shall be united into Provinces by the General Synod in such manner and under such conditions as shall be provided by Canon. The bounds of such Provinces shall be determined by the General Synod, and may at any time thereafter be changed by the General Synod, with the consent of the Provinces concerned. Every Province must include not less than five contiguous Dioceses.

SEC. 2. In each Province a Synod composed of the Bishops, and of Clergy and Laity, shall be constituted by the action of a majority of the Conventions of the Dioceses within such Province, and of the Bishops therein, for the exercise of such legislative powers, not inconsistent with the Constitutional powers of the General Synod, as may by such action be delegated to it; but no Diocese shall be bound by any legislation of said Synod until it shall have entered into union therewith. Such Synod may provide a uniform mode of trial of Presbyters and of Deacons for such of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts in said Province as shall have consented thereto by entering into union with the said Synod, and an appeal may be had by the accused, under rules provided by such Synod, from the decision rendered in any such trial upon all questions of law, and by either party upon questions of doctrine, to a court composed of the Bishops of the Province, exclusive of the one in whose jurisdiction the decision was rendered. But no question of fact shall be reviewed upon any appeal.

SEC. 3. The Bishops of each Province shall elect one of their number to be Archbishop of the Province.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 6th day of the Session,
October 8, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 20.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, The resolution creating the Church University Board of Regents ordered that the Regents appointed under that resolution should continue in office until the next General Convention or until their successors should be appointed ;

Resolved, That this House will proceed on the eleventh day of October, at one o'clock, to elect such members of this House as shall be the Episcopal Regents on the Church University Board ; and that this action be communicated to the House of Deputies.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The House proceeded to the consideration of Message No. 9 of the House of Bishops. [See p. 223.] Section 3 being under consideration, various amendments were offered and considered.

On motion of Mr. Paine of Massachusetts, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary of this House be instructed to cause to be printed for the information of members all Messages from the House of Bishops relating to the Revision of the Constitution or Canons.

On motion of the same gentleman it was

Resolved, That the Secretary of this House be instructed to cause to be printed for the information of members all action taken by this House upon the Constitution or Canons.

The House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, the President announced the appointment of Mr. Morgan of New York, to fill the vacancy in the Commission on Archives, caused by the resignation of Mr. Hayes of Newark.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report, and, on motion, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject :

REPORT NO. 4.

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution of Mr. Morgan of New York reports that, in the General Convention of 1880, the following resolution upon this same subject was submitted to the House by the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, and was adopted by the House :

Resolved, That the proper manner of voting and of determining questions upon Alterations of the Constitution is that presented in the Second Article for a vote by Orders ; but the votes for the affirmative must

be in each Order a majority of the number of the Dioceses which have adopted the Constitution, and the concurrence of both Orders in each Diocese cannot be required."

Your Committee considers that it is inexpedient to go behind this decision. It therefore asks to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

For the Committee,
W. R. HUNTINGTON, *Chairman*.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 7th day of the Session,
October 9, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 21.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes the State of Wyoming to be a Missionary District of this Church.

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes the State of Idaho to be a Missionary District of this Church.

Resolved, That the aforesaid Missionary Districts be continued under the Episcopal jurisdiction of the Rt. Rev. Ethelbert Talbot, D.D., and that his title continue unchanged, viz., The Missionary Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 7th day of the Session,
October 9, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 22.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That, under the provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [2], the Missionary District of Western Colorado be placed under the care of the Missionary Bishop of Nevada and Utah, and that his title shall be The Missionary Bishop of Nevada, Utah, and Western Colorado.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The House proceeded to the consideration of Message No. 9 of the House of Bishops. [See p. 223.] Section 3 being under consideration, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Hodges of Maryland, all of the last sentence after the word "removed" was stricken out, and the following inserted in its stead : "from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops."

On motion, the House adjourned.

copies in excess of the number of his clergy having the cure of souls. Copies may be supplied to Church institutions, and to College and other libraries, to Bishops and Synods of other Churches in our Communion, as may be deemed advisable; also, one copy to each Secretary of a Diocesan Convention, and to the Secretaries of Standing Committees, and one copy to each Deputy to the General Convention who has been in attendance upon the present session of this body. An edition of the Digest shall be separately printed, and all copies of the Journal and Digest not disposed of as herein provided may be placed on sale.

7. *Resolved*, That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Bishops shall be five hundred dollars (\$500) for the first year, and one hundred dollars (\$100) for each succeeding year.

8. *Resolved*, That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Deputies shall be twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200) for the first year, and five hundred dollars (\$500) for each succeeding year.

9. *Resolved*, That the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) be paid to each of the Assistant Secretaries of the two Houses.

10. *Resolved*, That the sum of fifty dollars (\$50) be paid to the Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer, for expenses incurred by him during the triennial period.

11. *Resolved*, That the Committee on Expenses be authorized to sit during the interval prior to the next General Convention.

Respectfully submitted.

A. J. C. SOWDON, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bliss of Vermont, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Christian Education of the House of Deputies have leave to sit with the Committee of the House of Bishops on the same subject.

[For action of the House of Bishops see p. 248.]

The Rev. Dr. Carey of Albany presented a memorial from the Eleventh Annual Conference of Church Workers among Coloured People; which, on motion, was referred to the Commission on Work amongst Coloured People.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Lawrence of Massachusetts, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen be appointed for the purpose of nominating to the General Convention fifteen persons to be appointed Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society.

[For the appointment of the Committee see p. 246.]

The Rev. Dr. Rhodes of Southern Ohio presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. David Pis   of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Carey of Albany presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. J. I. Tucker of that Diocese; both which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For report of the Committee see Appendix VII.]

On motion of Mr. Schenck of Long Island, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be directed to propose to this House such amendments to the Canons as may be necessary to make the same conform to the constitutional change of the title of Assistant Bishop to that of Bishop Coadjutor.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 263.]

On motion of Mr. Forsyth of Louisiana, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be requested to define the legal status of a clergyman called by a Vestry to be Assistant Rector with stated salary, under the following heads:

1. Is the title "Assistant Rector" equivalent to "Associate Rector," or to "Assistant to the Rector"?

2. Can an Assistant Rector claim as a right an equal share of the spiritual duties of the Parish, or is he to perform only such duties as the Rector may see fit to assign to him?

3. Can a Vestry assign any spiritual duties to an Assistant Rector should the Rector fail to do so?

4. Can an Assistant Rector, not being a Rector or an Instituted Minister, be dismissed by a Vestry at their pleasure, or is the dissolution of the Pastoral relation to be governed by the Canon of the Church respecting Rectors? (Title II., Canon 4.)

[For the report of the Committee see p. 315.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Richards of Rhode Island, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Secretaries of the House of Bishops and of the House of Deputies be instructed to have prepared, by an expert in such matters, a careful subject-index to the Journal of the General Convention, and a like index to the Digest of Constitution and Canons.

[For action of the House of Bishops see p. 253.]

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day; viz., the consideration of Message No. 9 from the House of Bishops. [See p. 223.]

Section 4 being under consideration, Mr. Bennett of Massachusetts offered the following as a substitute for the section:

SECTION 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in such Diocese, and by not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, and having a domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which such Deputies shall be chosen.

SEC. 5. The representation of any Diocese shall be valid, so long as there be present from such Diocese at least one Deputy of either Order.

SEC. 6. Any Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be bound by all the acts thereof, although such Diocese was not then actually represented in either Order.

SEC. 7. To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business there must be present at least one Clerical Deputy and one Lay Deputy from a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation; but the Dioceses represented by the Clerical Deputies need not be necessarily the

very same Dioceses as those represented by the Lay Deputies; *Provided*, always, each Order is represented in a majority of all the Dioceses.

SEC. 8. On any question the vote of a majority of all the Deputies present, without regard to Orders, shall suffice, unless otherwise provided in these Constitutions, or unless a vote by Orders be called for by the Clerical or the Lay representation then present from any Diocese. In all cases of a vote by Orders the two Orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical representation, and one vote for its Lay representation, if present. The concurrence of the two Orders by a majority in each Order of all the Dioceses then represented in that Order shall be necessary to constitute a valid vote of the House.

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks of Florida, the word "three" was stricken out and the word "four" was substituted therefor.

Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania moved to amend by striking out all after the words "majority in each order of all the Dioceses then represented in that Order" and substituting therefor the words "majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation in that Order."

The Rev. Dr. Alsop of Long Island moved to strike out the words "having a domicile," and substitute therefor the words "in connection with a Parish."

Pending the consideration of the subject the following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, was referred to this House for consideration after preceding Messages on the same subject.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 7th day of the Session,
October 9, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 23.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Amend the Constitution by inserting the following as VI. of the Constitutions:

VI.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese there shall be a Standing Committee, which shall be appointed by the Convention of the Diocese, whose duties, except so far as provided for in the Canons of the General Synod, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

SEC. 2. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese the said Committee shall be his Council of Advice, and when there is no such Bishop it shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 8th day of the Session,
October 10, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 24.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the consent of the General Convention be given to the organization of a new Diocese continuous with the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan; and that the said Diocese be admitted into union with the General Convention as a Diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

Resolved, That the House of Bishops does not concur in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 12 from the House of Deputies, and asks for a Committee of Conference.

And the House of Bishops has appointed as members, on its part, of the Committee of Conference, the Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Colorado, the Bishop of Maryland, the Bishop of Massachusetts, and the Bishop of Indiana.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The President appointed as members of the Committee of Conference, on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. Richards of Rhode Island and the Rev. Mr. Williams and Mr. White of Northern Michigan. [For the report of the Committee see p. 250.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 8th day of the Session,
October 10, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 25.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to nominate members of the Missionary Council and the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions.

And the House of Bishops has appointed, as members, on its part, of the Joint Committee, the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of Shanghai, and the Bishop of North Carolina.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the appointment of the Committee see p. 251.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolutions contained therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 8th day of the Session,
October 10, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 26.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following preambles and resolutions:

WHEREAS, The Armenian Church, one of the most ancient Commu-

nions in Christendom, is being subjected to a persecution of peculiar atrocity, involving the wholesale slaughter of men and the violation of women; and

WHEREAS, Those who survive these terrible persecutions are now perishing from disease, cold, and hunger; and

WHEREAS, In the New Testament times, as St. Paul tells us, the Churches of Christendom contributed to relieve the necessities, each of the other;

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention commends to all those whom it in anywise represents, and to all Christian people, the prompt and energetic employment of whatever measures may contribute to the succour of this afflicted people, and especially such contributions as may relieve their sore necessities.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the authorities of the Church of England be respectfully asked to take such action as will fitly commend the cause of the Armenian Church to the whole English-speaking world.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House adjourned.

NINTH DAY.

FRIDAY, October 11, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Hodges of Massachusetts, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of New Hampshire. The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The President appointed Mr. Temple of Vermont to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, caused by the absence of Mr. Edmunds; as members of the Joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society, the Rev. Dr. Lawrence of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Littell of Delaware, Mr. Wilmer of Maryland, and Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania; and as members of the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Resolutions, the Rev. Dr. Fiske of Rhode Island, the Rev. Dr. Olmsted of Central New York, Mr. Schenck of Long Island, Mr. Forsyth of Louisiana, Mr. Mercur of Central Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Dr. Powers of Alabama presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. Horace Strongfellow of that Diocese, which was referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee see Appendix VII.]

The Rev. Mr. Seabrease of Indiana presented a memorial from that Diocese on the subject of Christian Unity, which was referred

to the Joint Commission on Christian Unity. [For the report of the Commission see p. 331.]

Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution, which was not adopted :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the adjourned session of the Board of Missions, to be held this evening, sit with closed doors.

Mr. Carpenter of New Jersey offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar :

Resolved, That all printing required by any Committee or Commission during the interval between the meetings of the General Convention, be done under the direction of the Secretary of this House.

[For the consideration of the resolution see p. 292.]

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Bennitt of Newark, it was

Resolved, That the amendment to the Canon on Marriage and Divorce, as referred to this Convention, and reported by the Committee on Unfinished Business, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

[For the Committee's report see p. 303.]

Mr. Brown of Rhode Island offered the following resolutions, which were referred to the Committee on Canons :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, § i., be amended as follows : Substitute for the last sentence of the first paragraph of Article IV., the following :

In case a vacancy occur in the representation of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction between the sessions of the Convention, Council, or Convocation thereof, it shall be competent for the Bishop to fill the vacancy, the delegate so appointed to hold office until the next session of the Convention, Council, or Convocation.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, § i., be amended as follows : To the second sentence of Article IV., add these words, " who shall hold office until the next General Convention."

[For the report of the Committee see p. 301.]

The Rev. Dr. Jones of Central Pennsylvania offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Unfinished Business :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention of 1895 adjourn without day on Friday, October 18, the hour for the closing Services and the reading of the Pastoral Letter being eight o'clock of the same evening.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 264.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, § 1., be amended by the addition of the following Article, to be numbered Article X.:

“Whenever there shall be a meeting of the Board of Missions as provided for in Article III. of this Canon, there shall be a roll call of the Bishops and of all deputations and delegations, and of the other members of the Board, and in all votes such call shall also be made whenever demanded by the Clerical or Lay Deputation of any Diocese or by any three members appointed under Article III. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for business. A majority of all members of the Board present at any meeting shall be necessary to pass any motion.”

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, be amended by changing the numbering of Article X. to Article XI.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 282.]

On motion of Mr. Merrick of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be returned to the Chamber of Commerce and the Commercial Club, representing the citizens of St. Paul for their very kind hospitality extended yesterday.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 8th day of the Session,
October 10, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 27.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has given permission to its Committee on Christian Education to sit with the Committee on Christian Education of the House of Deputies.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 8th day of the Session,
October 10, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 28.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to nominate a Board of Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society.

And that it has appointed as members of said Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Nebraska and the Bishop of Florida.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the request for a Committee of Conference was granted:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 8th day of the Session,
October 10, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 29.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the next General Convention be held in the city of Louisville, Kentucky.

Resolved, That this House does not concur in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 14 from the House of Deputies, in reference to the place of meeting of the next General Convention, and asks for a Committee of Conference.

And that it has appointed as members, on its part, of the Committee of Conference, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of California, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee of Conference see p. 257.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 8th day of the Session,
October 10, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 30.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee, consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, be appointed to arrange an order of work for the next Missionary Council.

And that it has appointed, as members of said Committee on the part of this House, the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Ohio.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The President appointed as members of the Committee of Conference on the place of meeting of the next General Convention, the Rev. Dr. Perkins of Kentucky, Mr. Paine of Massachusetts, and Mr. Miller of Georgia. [For the report of the Committee see p. 257.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Lindsay of Massachusetts, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the full report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons be submitted to the Convention at ten o'clock on Monday morning next.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 258.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No 6.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment to Title I., Canon 6, § x., offer the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 6, § x., be amended so as to read as follows:

§ x. Satisfaction given in any of these examinations shall in every case be certified to the Bishop in writing (or to the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, as the case may be), with the signatures of all the Examiners, and in the following form, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of (or, the Clerical
members of the Standing Committee of as the case
may be).

Place,

Date,

We, the undersigned, Examining Chaplains (or Presbyters, as the case may be) of the Diocese (or Missionary Jurisdiction) of _____ having been appointed Examiners of A. B., a Candidate for Priest's Orders, hereby certify that we have examined the said A. B. upon the subjects prescribed in Title I., Canon 6, and, in accordance with what we believe to be the will of the Church, as set forth in her Ordinal and Canons, and sensible of our responsibility for the evil which might come upon the Church through the admission of men insufficiently prepared for their work, we do give our judgment as follows: (Here specify the proficiency of the Candidate on each of the subjects prescribed.)

(Signed)

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman.*

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 283.]

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 7.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment of Title III., Canon 4, § iii., respectfully offer the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 4, § iii., be amended so as to read as follows:

§ iii. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses the Convention of such Diocese shall declare which portion thereof is to be the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the General Convention, and shall certify that a majority of the Parishes and organized Missions of the proposed new Diocese, and the same proportion in the remaining territory, has given consent to the proposed division before the ratification of such division.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman.*

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 283.]

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Committee of Conference on the organization and admission as a Diocese of the present Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, presented the following report:

The Conference Committee to whom was referred the resolutions consenting to the organization and admission of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan as a Diocese respectfully report that they have had

the subject under consideration, and recommend that the House of Bishops do recede from their action and concur with the House of Deputies.

A. N. LITTLEJOHN, *Chairman.*
C. A. L. RICHARDS,
Chairman on part of House of Deputies.

The House proceeded to the consideration of Message No. 9 [see p. 223] from the House of Bishops, Section 4 being under consideration.

On motion Mr. Bennett's substitute [see p. 243] was laid on the table.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Fulton of Pennsylvania, the last paragraph of Section 4 was amended by adding to the last paragraph the following words :

“ Provided, however, that, if it shall appear that a constitutional quorum of the House has not voted, the Presiding Officer shall declare that there has been no vote of the House; and in such a case the question may be again put to the House when a quorum shall be present.”

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks of Florida, the word “ three ” in the first paragraph was stricken out and the word “ four ” was substituted therefor.

On motion of Mr. Nash of New York, the last clause of the last paragraph was amended by inserting after the word “ time ” the following words, “ of the vote.”

Section 5 was taken up, considered, and passed over.

Section 6 being under consideration, the following substitute offered by the Rev. Dr. Baker of New Jersey was adopted :

Each Missionary District of this Church, the Bishop of which has a seat and vote in the House of Bishops, and each Convocation of Churches in Europe, may be represented in the House of Deputies by one Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by the Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the District, or Convocation of Churches in Europe; such Delegates shall have all the rights of Deputies except that they shall not be entitled to vote in cases in which the vote is required to be by Dioceses and Orders.

Pending the consideration of Section 6 the House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, the President appointed as members of the Joint Committee to nominate a Board of Managers and Missionary Council of the Board of Missions, the Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Henshaw of Rhode Island, the Rev. Dr. Christian of Newark, the Rev. Dr. Blanchard of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Bancroft of Western Michigan, Mr. Stark of Connecticut, Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania, Mr. Brown of

Rhode Island, Mr. Bryan of Virginia, and Mr. Schenck of Long Island.

As members of the Joint Committee to arrange an order of work for the next Missionary Council: the Rev. Mr. Brewster of Long Island, the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, Mr. Brown of Rhode Island, and Mr. Stark of Connecticut.

As a member of the Commission on Church Archives, to take the place of the Rev. Dr. F. Gibson, resigned, the Rev. Dr. Samuel Hart.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, was referred to this House for consideration after previous Messages on the same subject have been considered :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 31.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Strike out Articles 4 and 10 of the Constitution, and insert the following as V. of the Constitutions :

V.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese the Bishop, or Bishop Coadjutor, shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be prescribed by the Convention of that Diocese. Missionary Bishops shall be chosen by the House of Bishops in accordance with canonical provisions of the General Synod.

SEC. 2. A Bishop shall confine the exercise of his office to his own Diocese or Missionary District, unless requested to perform some Episcopal act in another Diocese or in a Missionary District by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, or unless authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops to act temporarily, in case of need, beyond the territorial limits of the United States.

SEC. 3. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor without the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church, exercising jurisdiction in the United States, and the consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop by less than three Bishops.

SEC. 4. A Bishop may not resign his jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

SEC. 5. Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due application therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Primate under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Synod. Such Bishops shall not be entitled to vote in the House

of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the Episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, unless requested to do so by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House granted a Committee of Conference as requested therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 32.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House concurs in the resolution contained in Message No. 20 from the House of Deputies, and asks for a Committee of Conference with a view to the preparation of a proper Index and Digest of all Journals of the General Convention.

And that it has appointed as members on its part of said Committee the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of Delaware.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the appointment of the Committee see p. 259. For the report of the Committee see p. 317.]

The House proceeded to the consideration of Message No. 9 [see p. 223] from the House of Bishops.

Article II. being under consideration, on motion of Mr. Burgwin of Pittsburgh, it was amended by striking out the following words :

“The General Convention shall meet in every third year at such time and place as shall be appointed by the Convention.”

And inserting in their stead the following :

“The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at such place as may be determined on by the Convention.”

The question recurring on the motion to concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of Section I. as amended by this House, it was adopted by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina,

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Delaware, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island, Tennessee, — 6.

LAY VOTE. — Arkansas, Delaware, Rhode Island, — 3.

Section 3 being under consideration, a motion to concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the remaining portion of the Section, as amended by this House, was adopted by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, West Missouri, Western New York, West Virginia, — 53.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 45.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

LAY VOTE. — Long Island, Missouri, — 2.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Western New York, — 1.

LAY VOTE. — Western New York, — 1.

Section 4 being under consideration, a motion to concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the first paragraph, as amended by this House, was adopted by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield,

Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 53.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, Western New York, West Virginia, — 45.

DIOCESE VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

LAY VOTE. — Long Island, — 1.

Section 4 being under consideration, a motion to amend the first paragraph by adding Section 6, as amended in the earlier consideration [see p. 251] of the Message, was lost by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Central Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Long Island, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Oregon, Texas, West Missouri, — 11.

LAY VOTE. — Connecticut, Easton, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, New Jersey, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Vermont, — 9.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, California, Central New York, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Newark, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pittsburgh, Quincy, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Virginia, Western New York, West Virginia, — 33.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Delaware, East Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Long Island, Maryland, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania, Quincy, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Virginia, Western New York, West Virginia, — 31.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Chicago, Louisiana, Pennsylvania, — 3.

LAY VOTE. — Chicago, Massachusetts, Pittsburgh, — 3.

On motion, the further consideration of the subject was postponed until Monday morning.

The Rev. Dr. Perkins, from the Conference Committee on the place of meeting of the next Convention, presented the following report, and, on motion, the House agreed to the recommendation of the Committee :

REPORT NO. 8.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonials have been received entitling Mr. S. A. Bronson of Fond du Lac, to a seat in this Convention in place of Mr. Gustave W. Zerler, unable to attend.

CLINTON LOCKE.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to whom was referred the resolution of a Clerical Deputy from New York making it lawful, under well-defined restrictions, for Bishops of this Church to take under their spiritual oversight congregations of Christian people not hitherto in communion with this Church, respectfully report, that, inasmuch as this resolution differs only from a similar one to which their approval was given three years ago in having had introduced into it even more careful safeguards than it then contained, they do not conceive that it is incumbent on them to enter into a discussion of the merits of the case, but content themselves with recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Add to Article 8 of the Constitution the following, to wit :

But nothing in this Article shall be so construed as to restrain any Bishop of this Church, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, from taking under his spiritual oversight any congregation of Christian people, not theretofore in communion with this Church, which accepts the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed, and whose Minister, having received Episcopal ordination, shall covenant, as may be prescribed by Canon, to use in public worship such form or directory as the said Bishop shall set forth and authorize ;

Provided, such form or directory shall contain or enjoin nothing contrary to the doctrine of this Church, shall make provision for the Apostolic rite of Confirmation, and shall require, in the administration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Supper of the Lord, the unfailing use of the words and elements ordained by Christ Himself ; and, *Provided*, further, that no such congregation shall be admitted into union with a Diocesan Convention or Council until it has been organized as a parish or congregation of this Church, in accordance with canonical requirements.

WM. R. HUNTINGTON.

EDWIN HARWOOD.

JAMES S. STONE.

JOHN H. ELLIOTT.

EDMUND H. BENNETT.

JOHN H. STINESS.

By permission of the House, the Rev. Mr. Faudé presented a minority report, as follows :

The undersigned, members of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, regretfully dissent from the views of the Committee in its report on the proposed amendment to Article 8 of the Constitution.

The proposed amendment is declared to be a step in the direction of Christian unity. By its provisions, congregations of unconfirmed people, accepting the Apostles' and the Nicene Creeds, may be received (1) under the spiritual oversight of a Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of his Standing Committee, and (2) into union with the Diocesan Convention or Council. Such congregations are to be allowed to worship according to any form or directory of public worship which their Bishop may set forth and authorize for use; it being provided that such form or directory shall be (a) in harmony with the four points submitted at the Lambeth Conference as the basis upon which the Anglican Communion is willing to confer upon the subject of Christian Unity, and (b) make provision for the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation.

The undersigned are unable to give assent to this project for the following reasons:

1. The proposed amendment is one touching our Book of Common Prayer, which is the interpreter and bulwark of our faith and doctrine. This American Branch of the Church Catholic has wisely guarded this Book by providing that not only no one Bishop, not even the whole House of Bishops alone, but the House of Deputies, acting concurrently with the House of Bishops, in two successive General Conventions, with an interval of three years, and with full knowledge imparted to the several Dioceses, shall act on all changes in this Book of Common Prayer. But in this proposed amendment is a provision which annihilates time, brushes aside the whole Church in her legislative capacity, and allows every Bishop to do at will what it is now intended he shall do only in certain specified emergencies. Each Bishop would then be a law unto himself.

The form of administration of the Holy Communion, for example, would very naturally reflect the "interpretation" which each Bishop would put upon that great Sacrament. There is nothing in the proposed amendment which would prevent the use, with some modifications, of the Roman Mass, by a Bishop who inclined in that direction, to say nothing of other liturgies or forms. While perhaps not every Bishop would compose or sanction a different directory of public worship, yet it might confidently be expected that the different schools of thought in the Church would be tempted to make these directories the propaganda for their "interpretations." Such great diversities of "views," incorporated into forms or directories of worship, would not tend to the peace and harmony of the Church, but on the contrary give rise to contentions for which no gains of semi-converts from other religious bodies would compensate us.

2. The undersigned are further of opinion that the indirect abolition of the rubric providing that "there shall none be admitted to the Holy Communion until they be confirmed, or be ready and desirous to be confirmed," is a most unsafe procedure. This indirect abolition of the rubric would do away entirely with Confirmation either as a prerequisite to the Holy Communion, or as a recognized and indispensable Sacramental rite. For although provision is required to be made, by the proposed amendment, for "the Apostolic rite of Confirmation," yet as its use is not to be obligatory, we should have a deliberate setting aside, for the sake of expediency, of the practice of the Church, in all her branches, from the Apostles' days to our own. In the judgment of the undersigned this would be transcending the powers of any branch of the Church Catholic. Whatever irregularities there may be to cite from the history of the Church, no national or provincial Church has ever set aside an Apostolic practice which has the clear warrant of the Holy Scriptures. Let not the American Church be the first to attempt it! It is not an unwarranted fear that such a departure would be legislating for

possible converts from without, at the risk of alienating those already in full communion with the Church.

3. The undersigned are not unmindful of the fact that almost any changes in the Prayer Book might be justified, if made in the usual and lawful way, provided compensating gains were assured to us thereby. What is the supposed gain to come from this proposed amendment? Christian unity, it is answered. But this measure seems to have as its underlying principle the idea that unity means union in the sense of aggregation, and without that "unity of spirit" which is "the bond of peace." In the judgment of the undersigned union without unity is no better than recognized separation. Almost every congregation admitted as here proposed would give us something resembling another "school of thought." We certainly have enough "schools of thought" — sometimes called parties — in the Church as it is; to open the door and invite more would, in the judgment of the undersigned, be wellnigh suicidal.

4. Even if it were admitted that the Chicago-Lambeth declaration should be followed by some such legislation as is here proposed, the undersigned feel that to take such action now would be premature and unhappily precipitate. The House of Bishops in 1886, after making the declaration sometimes called the Quadrilateral, concluded with the following words: "Furthermore, deeply grieved by the sad divisions which affect the Christian Church in our own land, we hereby declare our desire and readiness, so soon as there shall be any authorized response to this Declaration, to enter into brotherly conference with all or any Christian Bodies seeking the restoration of the organic unity of the Church, with a view to the earnest study of the conditions under which so priceless a blessing might happily be brought to pass." The undersigned would remind this House that no one of the "Christian Bodies" about us has, as yet, made to this Church "any authorized response to this declaration." Until this is done we cannot, without loss of self-respect, make further advances.

5. It is doubtful if any "congregations of Christian people" would accept so questionable a position as even this exceptional legislation would give them. Clearly they would not thus be received into the fulness of the Church's privileges. While Bishops might receive them under their spiritual oversight the Councils of the Dioceses might be closed to them. They would stand upon a different plane from that of confirmed Church people. They would be, at the best, a new kind of "proselytes of the gate," a most humiliating position, and one not likely to be accepted. It therefore seems to the undersigned that so weak an overture would defeat its own ends. We therefore beg leave to offer as a substitute for the report of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, and to recommend for adoption, the following:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to amend Article 8 of the Constitution in the manner proposed.

Respectfully submitted.

J. J. FAUDÉ.
E. T. WILDER.
J. M. WOOLWORTH.
MILES F. GILBERT.
F. H. MILLER.
EDWARD L. TEMPLE.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, the report was made the Order of the Day when the pending order is disposed of. [For the consideration of the report see p. 293.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Taylor of Springfield, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, together with the views presented by the Minority of the Committee, be printed for the information of the House.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted :

REPORT NO. 8.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution directing this Committee to propose such amendments as may be necessary to make the wording of the Canons conform to the Constitutional change of the title Assistant Bishop to that of Bishop Coadjutor, offer the following resolutions :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § v., be amended so as to read as follows :

§ v. When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of old age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, or by reason of the extent of his Diocese, to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Bishop Coadjutor may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall, in all cases, succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him: *Provided*, that before the election of a Bishop Coadjutor, for the reason of extent of Diocese, the consent of the General Convention, or during the recess thereof, the consent of a majority of the Bishops and of the several Standing Committees, must be had and obtained. Prior to any election of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Bishop of the Diocese shall consent in writing to such election, and in such consent he shall state the duties which he thereby assigns to the Bishop Coadjutor when duly elected and consecrated. And in case of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue the aforesaid consent to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee of the Diocese may request the Convention to issue such letter of consent. And the request of the said Standing Committee shall be accompanied by medical certificates of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue such written consent. No person shall be elected or consecrated a Suffragan Bishop, nor shall there be more than one Bishop Coadjutor in a Diocese at the same time.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xii., be amended so as to read as follows :

§ xii. It shall be lawful for any Bishop of a Diocese who is about to leave, or has left his Diocese, with the intention of going out of the limits of the United States, or, if remaining out of his Diocese for the space of three calendar months, although without leaving the United States, to authorize, by writing under his hand and seal, the Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee of such Diocese, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof. The Bishop Coadjutor or Standing Committee so authorized shall thereupon become the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Diocese, to all intents and purposes, until such writing shall be revoked, or the Bishop shall return within the Diocese; *Provided*, that nothing in this Canon shall be so construed as to prevent any Bishop who may have signed such writing from exercising his jurisdiction himself, so far as the same may be practicable, during his absence from his Diocese, or from permitting and authorizing any other Bishop to perform Episcopal offices for him.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xiv. [1], be amended so as to read as follows :

§ xiv. [1.] Any Bishop, Bishop Coadjutor, or Missionary Bishop may, on the invitation of the Convention or the Standing Committee of

any Diocese where there is no Bishop, or where the Bishop is for the time under a disability to perform Episcopal offices by reason of a judicial sentence, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof; and this invitation may be temporary, and it may at any time be revoked.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xiv. [2], be amended so as to read as follows:

[2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant, or having the Bishop disabled, until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the same; and, in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed; or until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xv. [4], be amended so as to read as follows:

[4.] No Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor whose resignation has been consummated pursuant to this section shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical jurisdiction within the limits of his Diocese. Any Bishop whose resignation by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom has been consummated pursuant to this section, shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 282.]

The Rev. Dr. Beatty, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

The Committee on Unfinished Business, to whom was referred the resolution from the Rev. Dr. Jones, from Central Pennsylvania, fixing Friday, the eighteenth, as the day of final adjournment, have had the same under consideration, and hereby offer the following amendment to said resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention of 1895 adjourn without day, on Tuesday, October 22. The hour for the closing Services and the reading of the Pastoral Letter being three o'clock of the afternoon of the same day.

[For concurrence of House of Bishops see p. 283.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, were referred to this House for consideration, after previous Messages on the same subject shall have been considered:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 37.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Strike out Article 8 of the Constitution and insert the following as IX. of the Constitutions:

IX.

The Book of Common Prayer, and Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter, or Psalms of David, the Form and Manner of making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, the Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be the use in all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church. No alteration thereof, or addition thereto, shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Synod, and, by a resolve thereof, sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Synod at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies; the vote of each Diocese in this case being determined by the concurrence of the vote of both Orders in that Diocese.

Provided, however, that the General Synod shall have power at any meeting to amend the Tables of Lessons, by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the whole number of Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 38.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Strike out Article 9 of the Constitution and insert the following as X. of the Constitutions:

X.

No alteration or amendment of these Constitutions shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Synod, and by a resolve thereof sent within six months to the

Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Synod at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies; the vote of each Diocese in this case being determined by the concurrence of the vote of both Orders in that Diocese.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 39.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Strike out Article 5 of the Constitution and insert the following as VII. of the Constitutions:

VII.

SECTION 1. The Church in any State or Territory of the United States, or any part of the same not now represented, may at any time hereafter be admitted into union on acceding to the Constitutions, with the consent of the General Synod and of the Provincial Synod first had and obtained; it being a prerequisite condition thereto that suitable and satisfactory provision be made for the support of the Episcopate and that there be at least six duly organized congregations or parishes and at least six Presbyters who have been for one year canonically resident and for that period holding cure of souls within the bounds of such proposed Diocese.

SEC. 2. A new Diocese may be formed and erected, with the consent of the General Synod and of the Provincial Synod first had and obtained, out of an existing Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses, but such consent shall not be given unless the proposed Diocese contain at the time the consent is given at least ten duly organized and self-supporting congregations, and ten Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident, and, for the same period, holding a cure within the bounds of such proposed Diocese and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such consent be given if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain at the said time less than fifteen such duly organized and self-supporting congregations and fifteen Presbyters residing therein and qualified as above mentioned, nor without the approval of the Bishop or Bishops and of the Convention or Conventions concerned, nor until the General Synod has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate.

SEC. 3. In case a new Diocese or Dioceses shall be erected out of part of the jurisdiction of an existing Diocese, the Bishop of such existing Diocese may choose the Diocese to which he will be attached, and shall be the Diocesan thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may become the Diocesan of the other Diocese, or, if there be more than one other, of that other which he shall choose.

SEC. 4. In case a Diocese shall be formed out of parts of two or more Dioceses, each of the Bishops and Bishops Coadjutor of the several

Dioceses out of which the new Diocese has been formed, shall be entitled in the order of seniority of consecration to the choice between his own Diocese and the new Diocese so formed. In default of such choice the new Diocese shall have the right to choose its own Bishop.

SEC. 5. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese. And whenever a Diocese is formed and erected out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

SEC. 6. Any new Diocese shall be considered as admitted into union with the General Synod on its acceding to this Constitution, under such conditions as may be determined by the Synod.

SEC. 7. The General Synod may accept the cession of a part of the territory of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of a Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory, and also the same proportion in the remaining territory, shall consent thereto; *Provided*, that such action of the General Synod shall be by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops present and voting, and two-thirds of the House of Deputies, voting by Orders.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 40.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has receded from its action communicated in its Message No. 24 to the House of Deputies, and that it has concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 12 of the House of Deputies, and given its consent to the erection of the Diocese of Northern Michigan with boundaries conterminous with those of the previous Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and placed on the Calendar:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 41.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following named persons be elected the Church University Board of Regents:

The Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix, the Rev. Dr. David H. Greer, the Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington, the Rev. Dr. Eliphalet N. Potter, Professor Henry Drisler, Professor James M. Garnett, Mr. George W. Vanderbilt, Mr. Spencer Trask, and Mr. Silas McBee.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the consideration of the foregoing Message see p. 309.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 42.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That hereafter the title of the Missionary Bishop of Oklahoma be The Missionary Bishop of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the resolution contained therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 9th day of the Session,
October 11, 1895.

MESSAGE No. 43.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Joint Committee to which was referred the List of Ordinations, etc., prepared by the Rev. Dr. Herman C. Duncan, and has adopted the resolution therein contained, to wit :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring :

(1) That the List of Ordinations herewith submitted be printed as an Appendix to the Journal.

(2) That permission be given to print extra copies of the List for sale.

(3) That the Rev. Dr. Herman C. Duncan be appointed an officer of this Convention, as Recorder of Ordinations, to continue the list thus begun, which may be printed from time to time as may be directed by the Convention.

(4) That the Recorder of Ordinations be required to keep a list of the Clergy in regular standing corrected to the first day of October in each year, and that he be required to furnish a certified copy to the Almanacs.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Spalding of California presented a memorial of the late Rev. George F. Bugbee of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Elliott of Maryland presented a memorial of the late Mr. Charles M. Matthews of that Diocese; both of which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee see Appendix VII.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Rhodes of Southern Ohio, it was

Resolved, That the House of Deputies, with most delightful memories of the excursion to Faribault on Saturday, October 12, extends to the people of that city, to Bishop Whipple, and to Bishop Gilbert, sincere thanks for the generous and abounding welcome and hospitality with which we were received.

That we were profoundly impressed by the evidences of a wise philanthropy on the part of the State, and by the permanency, beauty,

and promise of those great institutions of learning and piety which crown the years and labours of our beloved Bishop Whipple.

That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded by the Secretary to the Mayor of Faribault and to Bishop Whipple.

That at the same time we are not unmindful of the thoughtfulness and courtesy of Mr. Roswell Miller, President of the C. M. & St. P. R. R., who provided the special trains by which we were carried and returned on that excursion, and beg him to accept this, our resolution of thanks.

Mr. Nash of New York offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution :

Resolved, That Article 6 of the Constitution be amended by striking out the third sentence and inserting in lieu thereof, "Courts for the trial of presbyters and deacons, with provisions for appeal, may also be established by the General Convention, but no presbyter or deacon shall be put upon trial except upon a presentment allowed by the Bishop of the Diocese in which the accused is canonically resident; the trial shall be had in such Diocese and the judgment rendered by the Court shall be subject to review by the Bishop of the Diocese, who shall alone have power to pronounce sentence."

[For the report of the Committee see p. 314.]

On motion of Mr. King of Rhode Island, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of three Clergymen and three Laymen be appointed to nominate the persons to be elected by this House as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

And the President appointed, as members of such Committee, the Rev. Dr. Hodges of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Western New York, the Rev. Dr. Locke of Chicago, Mr. King of Long Island, Mr. Hayes of Newark, and Mr. G. C. Burgwin of Pittsburgh. [For the report of the Committee see p. 288.]

On motion of Mr. Battle of North Carolina, it was

Resolved, That the memorial from the Diocese of North Carolina, in reference to the erection of a Missionary District out of its territory, be returned by the Committee on the Admission of new Dioceses to the Delegation from the Diocese for correction.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, presented a body of Canons [see Appendix XVI.] to take the place of the present Digest, reserving Canon 35 on Marriage and Divorce.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day, viz., the consideration of Message No. 9 from the House of Bishops. [See p. 223.]

The question being on the motion to concur with the House of

Bishops in the adoption of the last two paragraphs of Section 4, as amended by this House, the motion prevailed by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 52.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 47.

DIOCESE VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Texas, — 1.

LAY VOTE. — Texas, — 1.

A motion to concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of Section 5, as amended by the House, prevailed by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 53.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Florida, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Texas, Virginia, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 43.

Mr. Prince of New Mexico moved the adoption of the following as Section 6 of Constitution I. :

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate, chosen by the Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of any Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, with similar privileges to those of Deputies, except that they shall have no vote.

Mr. Goddard of Rhode Island offered the following amendment to Mr. Prince's resolution :

One Clerical and one Lay Delegate, chosen by each Missionary District of this Church within the limits of the United States, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in Europe, convened by proper ecclesiastical authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, with all the rights of Deputies, except the right to vote.

Mr. Ringwalt of Nebraska, moved to amend by inserting after the words "House of Deputies" the words "subject to all the qualifications"; which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Goddard's amendment, thus amended, was then adopted.

Mr. Prince's motion, thus amended, was then adopted by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 50.

LAY VOTE. — Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, Western New York, — 43.

DIOCESE VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Pittsburgh, — 1.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Colorado, Easton, — 2.

Constitution II. being under consideration, Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, moved that the words "Presiding Bishop" be substituted for the word "Primate"; which motion was lost by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Arkansas, Central Pennsylvania, Easton, Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, New Hampshire, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, — 25.

LAY VOTE. — Arkansas, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Delaware, East Carolina, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Virginia, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 26.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, California, Chicago, Colorado, East Carolina, Florida, Fond du Lac, Iowa, Maine, Michigan, Milwaukee, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New York, North Carolina, Quincy, Springfield, Vermont, Western New York, West Missouri, — 22.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Maine, Milwaukee, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Quincy, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Vermont, Western Michigan, Western New York, — 18.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Central New York, Connecticut, Delaware, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Western Michigan, — 6.

LAY VOTE. — Easton, — 1.

Constitution II. being under consideration, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Blanchard of Pennsylvania, the words “ Presiding officer of the House of Bishops ” were substituted for the word “ Primate ” in this Constitution as communicated from the House of Bishops. The Constitution, thus amended, was then, on motion, adopted by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 52.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh,

Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, —47.

The House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, the President announced the appointment of the Rev. Dr. Moore of West Virginia as a member of the Committee on the State of the Church in place of the Rev. Dr. Roller, absent.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York, the Rev. Dr. Joseph T. Smith, Chairman of the Committee on Church Unity of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, was invited to a seat on the platform.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day; viz., the consideration of Message No. 9 [see p. 223] from the House of Bishops.

On motion of Mr. H. Burgwin of Pittsburgh, Constitution II. was transferred to Constitution I., and numbered Section 7 of that Constitution.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in their Message No. 9, as amended by the action of this House, by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERGY. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, — 52.

LAITY. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, Western New York, — 40.

DIOCESE VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

LAY VOTE. — Long Island, — 1.

Message No. 18 [see p. 236], from the House of Bishops, was then taken up for consideration. Mr. H. Burgwin of Pittsburgh, moved to suspend consideration of Message No. 18, and consider Message No. 19.

Mr. Packard of Maryland, offered the following amendment to Mr. Burgwin's motion :

Resolved, That Message No. 18 of the House of Bishops and the succeeding Messages received by this House, containing proposed amendments to the Constitution, be, and they are hereby referred to a Committee of this House, to consist of six Clergymen and six Laymen, who shall report at the next Convention, but the report of said Committee shall be published at least six months prior thereto.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee, offered the following amendment to the amendment :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That all Messages from the House of Bishops upon Revision of the Constitution and Canons which have not been finally acted upon, together with the report of the Joint Commission on Revision of the Constitution and Canons be recommended to the Joint Commission on Revision, to report to the next General Convention.

Pending the consideration of the question [see p. 284], on motion, the House adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY.

TUESDAY, October 15, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Thompson of Mississippi, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Indiana.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 9.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonials have been received entitling the Rev. Edgar F. Gee of Texas to a seat in this Convention in place of the Rev. H. D. Aves, unable to attend. The same statement is made in the case of the Rev. E. Purdon Wright, D.D., of Milwaukee, in place of the Rev. T. S. Richey, given leave of absence, and in the case of Mr. J. Halsey DeWolf of Rhode Island in place of Mr. R. H. I. Goddard, given leave of absence.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

The Rev. Dr. Littell, from the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted :

The Triennial Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to the General Convention is the most encouraging ever presented. Each Convention witnesses a fuller realization of the long-cherished de-

sires of those who founded and those who have given and laboured for the institution.

The conscientious vigilance and care of those in charge of the finances merit our grateful recognition. Never before has it been possible to exhibit so favourable a statement regarding its funds wisely invested, and income prudently expended.

We note with satisfaction some important changes in the course of study. A Professorship has been added, that of Moral Theology and Christian Philosophy. The course has been rearranged and its scope enlarged. The report of the Trustees will, no doubt, be published in the Appendix to our Journal, and this feature is especially commended to consideration. More than forty lectures have been delivered to the students upon practical subjects by others than the Professors; and much spiritual benefit has been enjoyed in Quiet Days, conducted by the Bishops of New York and Montana and the Rev. Dr. Wilford L. Robbins.

The average number of students during the last three years has been one hundred and thirty-eight, more than have ever before been enrolled. And this number could have been increased had there been room. Applications were made this year by sixteen young men who could not be accommodated. The Trustees do well to ask the Church to meet this need.

The Library has been increased, and now numbers 25,900 volumes. A gift of a rare collection of Latin Bibles has been made. As is reported, "It is the largest, if not the most valuable collection of Latin Bibles to be found in any one library in the world." "Many of them are extremely rare, and some of them absolutely unique, no other copy being known to exist."

One of the original buildings of the Seminary has been replaced by three new houses for Professors, and two more are in process of erection upon Chelsea Square. A new and larger refectory is urgently needed, about fifteen students being obliged, at present, to occupy another room. Funds are asked for this. The Alumni are continuing their efforts to supply a gymnasium.

Through a number of gifts and legacies, a Professorship, three Fellowships, and two Scholarships have been endowed. But needs are increasing with growing numbers of students, and opportunities for enlarged usefulness are presenting themselves. "Three Professorships have no endowment, and three others are only partially endowed." The appeal for more Scholarships to aid those who otherwise could not receive the benefits of the Seminary will, we trust, be speedily answered.

Your Committee has a welcome task in presenting a report upon a condition so favourable and encouraging, and express its gratitude to the Dean for generosity, and unwearied and wise oversight, to the able Professors for faithfulness, and to those whose self-denial and liberality have rendered possible such remarkable results.

The Trustees recommend alterations in two Articles of the Constitution of the Seminary: one in Article II., which will bring it into conformity with the law of the State of New York, in which the Seminary was incorporated; and others in Article V., which require that longer time be given between notice of election, and election of Dean or Professors, and provide against inconvenient delay which may be occasioned by the difficulty of securing special meetings merely to receive nominations.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this House desires to put on record its expression of gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the evident tokens of His loving kindness manifested towards this general School of the Prophets.

Resolved, That we congratulate the Church in the United States, which exercises supervision and fostering care over the General Theological Seminary, in having in this institution a Faculty whose members command the respect and confidence of our people, and a Dean whose devotion, ability, liberality, and personal influence have drawn to the Seminary students in large numbers, and patrons who freely give of their substance for the equipment and work of this noble school of godly learning and sound churchmanship.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Article II. of the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary be amended so as to read:

II. The management of the said Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, who shall have power to constitute Professorships, and appoint the Dean and Professors, and to prescribe the Course of Study in the respective schools, and to make rules and regulations and statutes for the government thereof, and generally to take such measures as they may deem necessary to its prosperity: *Provided*, that such rules and Course of Study and measures be not repugnant to the Constitution and Canons of the Church, nor to the Course of Study for Candidates for Orders which is or may be established by the House of Bishops.

The Board shall, from time to time, appoint a Standing Committee from its own number, to superintend and manage all the business and concerns of the Seminary during the recess of the Board, with all the powers of the Board, subject to such limitations as may, by statute or otherwise, be lawfully and rightfully imposed.

The Bishops who are Trustees shall be visitors of the Seminary, and any three of them acting together may, at any time, upon reasonable notice to the Faculty and to the Board of Trustees or Standing Committee, visit the Seminary, and shall see that the Course of Instruction and Discipline be conducted agreeably to the foregoing provision; and the Bishops thus visiting shall lay before the Trustees at their next meeting any recommendations which they may deem of advantage to the Institution. The Trustees shall make report to the General Convention of their proceedings, and of the state of the Seminary.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Article V. of the Constitution be amended so as to read:

V. The Board of Trustees shall have power to remove the Dean, the Professors, and other officers; but no such incumbent shall be removed from office unless notice of an intended motion for such removal and the grounds thereof shall have been given to him. The nomination of the Dean and Professors shall be made at one meeting of the Board of Trustees, and acted upon at a subsequent meeting, to be held not less than two months after the meeting at which the nomination is made, due notice being given of the object of said meeting to every member of the Board.

Provided, however, that when directed by the Standing Committee, of which due notice shall be given to every member of the Board, nominations of Professors may be received by the Secretary of the Board at any time not less than three months before the meeting at which they are to be acted upon, and such nominations with the names of those who make them shall be sent by the Secretary not less than two months before the meeting of the Board, to every one of its members.

By order of the Committee,

T. GARDINER LITTELL, *Chairman*.

The Rev. Dr. Roberts, from the Special Committee on rearranging the seats of some of the Deputies in this House, presented the

following report, and, on his motion, the Committee was discharged :

The Committee appointed to confer with the Local Committee of arrangements with a view to providing better accommodations for certain Deputations, and continued with a view to furthering the comfort and convenience of the House, respectfully report that they have, with the kind assistance of the Local Committee and through the courtesy of Deputies more fortunately placed, accomplished the task assigned them as completely as existing conditions will admit.

After consultation with the President and Secretary of the House, and conference with the Local Committee, the seats were rearranged, chairs were placed in the aisles, and relief afforded as far as practicable. Much is due to the kindness of Deputations who received others among them, which courtesy we gratefully report and acknowledge.

The ventilation has been improved as much as is possible in the circumstances, and the Rector and Local Committee have been unwearied in their efforts to promote the comfort of the Deputies. And the Committee ask to be discharged.

DANIEL C. ROBERTS, *Chairman.*

Mr. Lightner of Minnesota presented a memorial from the Convention of that Diocese, praying for the setting off of a portion of its territory as a Missionary Jurisdiction; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [For the report of the Committee see p. 294.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Prall of Michigan, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Expenses be directed to consider the expediency of appropriating the sum of _____ dollars, said sum to be fixed by them, for the expenses of the Bishop in charge of the American Churches in Europe, and to report thereon to the House.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 292.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Green of Iowa, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a Deputation be appointed to attend the next General Synod of the Church of England in Canada.

The President appointed as members of the Deputation, on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. Green of Iowa, the Rev. Mr. Sweet of Maine, Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, and Mr. White of Northern Michigan.

Mr. Prince of New Mexico offered the following resolutions, which were placed on the Calendar :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That in future editions of the Hymnal, the human name of our Blessed Lord be printed Jesus, without change or abbreviation.

Resolved, That the foregoing resolution be referred by the President to some appropriate Committee for consideration and report.

that as it has the unanimous approval of the Commission, it may also have the approval and endorsement of the Church as represented in this Convention.

They are aware that such approval and endorsement must be based chiefly upon a confidence in the competency of the Commission; and upon an assurance that they have given sufficient attention and care to their work; for it would be quite impracticable for this Convention to enter upon any prolonged consideration of such a matter.

With respect to the competency of the Commission, the general satisfaction given by their work upon the Canticles may perhaps afford sufficient evidence; and with regard to the degree of care and diligence bestowed upon this later work, your Commission beg to say that they have spared no pains to make the result satisfactory to all who approve of the principle by which, chiefly, they have been guided in the construction of their general scheme of pointing.

That principle or postulant is that the pointing of the Psalms for musical use in public worship should be, *first of all*, such as to fulfil the requirements of correct and intelligent reading. The construction of the ordinary chant to which the pointing must be adapted does not admit of a strict adherence to this rule in all cases, but it should be studiously adhered to so far as practicable. In the prosecution of their work, according to this principle, your Commission have had constantly before them and have constantly consulted the best and most widely used of the English pointed Psalters, and their own pointing has, in every verse of the whole Psalter, the authority of at least a majority of the editors thus consulted. This last statement will, we trust, give such further and sufficient assurance of the value of the work of your Commission, as to warrant the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the pointing of the Psalter presented by the Commission, when all imperfections so far as possible are removed, be set forth as the authorized pointing for use in this Church.

Resolved, That a copy of the pointed Canticles and Psalter, duly certified by the Chairman and Secretary of the Commission, be placed in the hands of the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book, who may give permission to any publisher to issue it with or without music; but all copies thus published shall contain the authorization of the Custodian, certifying that he, or some person appointed by him, has compared the said copy or edition with the said certified copy, and that it conforms thereto.

Resolved, That the Commission be continued and empowered to carry out the foregoing resolutions.

H. A. NEELY.
CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD.
C. K. NELSON.
J. S. B. HODGES.
CHAS. L. HUTCHINS.
GEORGE S. BENNITT.
GEORGE WILLIAM WARREN,
Organist S. Thomas's Church, New York.
G. EDWARD STUBBS,
Organist S. Agnes's Chapel, New York.
MINTON PYNE,
Organist S. Mark's Church, Philadelphia.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolutions contained therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 10th day of the Session,
October 14, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 45.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Commission on Pointing the Canticles and Psalter, and has adopted the resolutions therein contained, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Pointing of the Psalter presented by the Commission, when all imperfections so far as possible are removed, be set forth as the authorized pointing for use in this Church.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a copy of the pointed Canticles and Psalter, duly certified by the Chairman and Secretary of the Commission, be placed in the hands of the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book, who may give permission to any publisher to issue it with or without music, but all copies thus published shall contain the authorization of the Custodian, certifying that he, or some person appointed by him, has compared the said copy or edition with the said certified copy, and that it conforms thereto.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission be continued and empowered to carry out the foregoing resolutions.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 10th day of the Session,
October 14, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 46.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, The Diocese of Minnesota, by deliberate action of the Bishops and Convention thereof, has, for urgent and sufficient reason, declared its desire to establish its northern limits on the south line of the counties of Big Stone, Stevens, Pope, Stearns, Benton, Mille Lacs, Kenabac, and Pine; and,

WHEREAS, This House is sufficiently advised of the consent of the Parishes lying on either side of that line, and said Diocese has tendered to this General Convention a cession of that part of its jurisdiction north of that line; and,

WHEREAS, Doubts are entertained by many of the power under our Constitution permanently to alter the territorial extent of a Diocese in this form, yet impressed with the great necessities of the Church in that Diocese, and of the justice of her claims to prompt relief, and following repeated precedents in like cases; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the limitation of the Jurisdiction of the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese of Minnesota within the limits above indicated, until such Constitutional Amendment and legislation thereunder can be secured, as are necessary to remove the doubts aforesaid, and that in the meantime the territory of the limits aforesaid, and within the State of Minnesota, be held and treated as Missionary territory and subject to Missionary Jurisdiction.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 294.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 10th day of the Session,
October 14, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 47.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolutions contained in its Message No. 34, providing for the insertion of the words "Bishop Coadjutor" in the Canons in place of the words "Assistant Bishop."

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 10th day of the Session,
October 14, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 48.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops will take a recess at twelve o'clock noon on Thursday of this week, in order that, the House of Deputies concurring, the members of the House of Bishops may meet with the members of the House of Deputies, to receive the report of the Committees on Christian Education and of the Church University Board of Regents, and to consider the subject of Christian Education.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 10th day of the Session,
October 14, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 49.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Missionary District of Alaska be placed for the present under the oversight of the Bishop of Olympia, and that his title be the Bishop of Olympia and Alaska.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 50.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 24, proposing a change in Title III., Canon 7, § iii., with reference to a quorum of the Board of Missions, etc.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 51.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 35, as to the time of final adjournment.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 52.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 27, proposing a change in Title I., Canon 6, § x.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 53.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 26, proposing a change in Title III., Canon 4, § iii., because, in the judgment of the House of Bishops, such legislation would practically vest the power of defeating the division of a Diocese in a minority.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion of Mr. Morgan of New York, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Rules of Order be requested to prepare and submit for adoption a rule of order which shall forbid the distribution on the floor of the House of books, memorials, or other printed matter which shall not have been formally presented and accepted by the House and ordered printed by its authority, and the circulation of which shall not have the formal approval of the President.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 288.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee offered the following resolutions, which were referred to the Committee on Canons :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 7, § v. (b), be amended so as to read as follows: A certificate from the Bishop by whom he was admitted a candidate, declaring the date of his admission and the character of his candidateship, and also a certificate from the Bishop that the examining chaplains have certified to him that the candidate has passed successfully his examination for Deacon's Orders, as provided in Title I., Canon 5, § ii., or Title I., Canon 6, § iv. [1], and § xi. [2].

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 10, § i. (a), be amended so as to read as follows:

A certificate from the Bishop, or Bishop Coadjutor, or if the Diocese be vacant, from the President of the Standing Committee, attesting that he is of sufficient age, and that the term of his candidateship and the

time of his service in the Diaconate have been completed, and also a certificate from the Bishop, or Bishop Coadjutor, or from the Examining Chaplains, that he has passed successfully the examinations for Priest's Orders as provided in Title I., Canon 6, § iv.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 303.]

The House proceeded to the consideration of the resolutions offered by Mr. Packard and the Rev. Dr. Davenport at yesterday's session. [See p. 274.] The question recurring on the amendment of Dr. Davenport, it was not adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Parks of Pennsylvania, the proposed amendment of Mr. Packard was amended by inserting the words "excepting Message No. 19" after the word "Constitution." The question recurring on the amendment of Mr. Packard, thus amended, it was adopted.

The House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session proceeded to the consideration of Message No. 19 [see p. 237] from the House of Bishops. The Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York offered the following substitute for Constitution IV. :

CONSTITUTION IV.

SECTION 1. Whenever three or more Dioceses shall have been erected within the limits of a single State, the said Dioceses shall be accounted a Province to be called by the name of the State, and shall organize themselves into a Provincial Synod, with a House of Bishops and a House of Clerical and Lay Delegates, made up of representatives chosen by the several Diocesan Councils of the Province.

SEC. 2. The Provincial Synod shall be convened once in three years, and shall be presided over by that Bishop of the Province who is the senior by date of consecration.

SEC. 3. The several Provincial Synods shall make their own rules of procedure, but shall exercise only such powers as may be conferred on them by Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 4. The General Convention may by Canon provide a judicial system for the Provinces.

Pending consideration of the subject the following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 54.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, and has adopted the following resolutions thereto appended, to wit :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations be continued.

Resolved, That the following be members of the Joint Commission on

Ecclesiastical Relations, on the part of the House of Bishops: the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of Iowa, the Bishop of Springfield, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Fond du Lac, the Bishop of Michigan, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the report of the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations be printed in the Appendix to the Journal.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the first and third resolutions in the foregoing Message, and the President appointed as members of the Commission, on the part of this House: The Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. Wm. Chauncey Langdon, D.D., the Rev. R. J. Nevin, D.D., the Rev. Wm. H. Vibbert, D.D., the Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, S.T.D., the Rev. W. D'O. Doty, D.D., the Rev. H. Y. Satterlee, D.D., the Rev. F. S. Jewell, Ph.D., the Rev. F. A. De Rosset, Mr. John A. King, Mr. William Keyser, Mr. Melville W. Fuller, Mr. Henry Chauncey, Mr. Wm. Bayard Cutting, Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry, Mr. Francis Philip Nash, Mr. George E. Copeland.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
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MESSAGE NO. 55.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Joint Committee appointed to nominate fifteen Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society, and has adopted the resolution therein contained, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following named persons be elected Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society:

The Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, the Rev. Dr. Hart of Connecticut (*ex officio*), the Rev. Dr. Langford of New York, the Rev. Dr. Lawrence of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Perry of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, Mr. J. P. Morgan of New York, Mr. F. W. Hunnewell of Massachusetts, Mr. J. S. Biddle of Pennsylvania, Mr. Joseph Wilmer of Virginia, and Mr. R. H. I. Goddard of Rhode Island.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
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MESSAGE NO. 56.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution, proposing an amendment to Article 5 of the Constitution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

In the ninth line of Article 5 strike out the words "any other Diocese" and insert the words "any Missionary District nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts or parts of Districts or any existing Diocese"; and in the twelfth line insert after the word "concerned" the words "and, in the case of a Missionary District or Districts, of the Bishop and the Convocation of each," so that it shall read as follows:

No new Dioceses shall be formed or erected within the limits of any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts or part of Districts, or any existing Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses or Districts, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention, and, in the case of a Missionary District or Districts, of the Bishop and Convocation of each.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 305.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 57.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the counties of El Paso, Reeves, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Foley, Buchel, and Pecos be, and are hereby, taken from the Missionary District of Western Texas and added to the Missionary District of New Mexico.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 58.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has reconsidered its action in regard to the Missionary District of Alaska, communicated to the House of Deputies in its Message No. 49, and has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops proceed to nominate to the House of Deputies a Presbyter to be elected a Bishop of the Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in the Territory of Alaska, and to be entitled the Missionary Bishop of Alaska.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 16, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Hibbard of New Jersey, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Montana.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Mr. Boniface of Quincy, not previously present, appeared and took his seat.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 10.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonial has been received entitling the Rev. P. B. Lightner of Colorado to a seat in this Convention, in place of Rev. F. W. Oakes, excused from further attendance. The same report is made in the case of Mr. Wm. C. Maybury of Michigan, in place of Mr. Theodore H. Eaton.

Leave of absence has been granted to Rev. J. S. Moody of Maine, and Mr. M. W. Bailey of Vermont.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

Mr. Burgwin, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on Rules, to whom was referred a resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Alsop of Long Island, touching a seeming contradiction between Rules 11 and 12, report and recommend for adoption the following :

Resolved, That Rule 12 be so amended that the first and second periods thereof shall read as follows :

12. There shall be no debate upon a motion to refer to any Standing Committee a resolution then first offered to the House, and properly referable to such Committee; but the member offering such resolution may speak five minutes in explanation of its purpose.

Also, there shall be no debate on a motion to recommit to a Committee, but without instructions, any report of such Committee then before the House.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Committee,
HILL BURGWIN, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

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Respectfully submitted by order of the Committee,
HILL BURGWIN, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT NO. 6.

The Committee on Rules, in obedience to the instructions of the House, pursuant to a resolution introduced by Mr. Morgan of New York, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following Rule of Order be adopted as Rule 36:

36. Except when otherwise ordered by the House, no books, pamphlets, or other printed matter shall be distributed in the House or placed in the seats of members without the express permission of the Presiding Officer. But this prohibition shall not apply to the report of a Committee or to any paper or other document presented to and accepted by the House or printed by its authority.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Committee,
HILL BURGWIN.

The Rev. Dr. Greer of New York presented the report of the Church University Board of Regents. [For the report see Appendix XIII.]

The Rev. Dr. Hodges, from the Committee to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, presented the following report, and the persons named therein were, on motion, elected:

The Committee appointed to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, beg leave to nominate the following named gentlemen:

The Rev. Herman Dyer, D.D.; the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D.; the Rev. G. Williamson Smith, D.D.; the Rev. Wm. S. Langford, D.D.; the Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, D.D.; the Rev. Robert N. Merritt, D.D.; the Rev. Eliphalet N. Potter, D.D.; the Rev. John W. Brown, D.D.; the Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, D.D.; the Rev. Edmund D. Cooper, D.D.; the Rev. William Montague Geer; the Rev. A. St. John Chambré, D.D.; Mr. T. Elbridge Gerry; Mr. John A. King; Mr. Geo. C. McWhorter; Mr. Elihu Chauncey; Mr. Henry Hayes; Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont; Mr. Walter H. Lewis; Mr. Frederic W. Rhinelanders; Mr. George Zabriskie; Mr. George J. Gardner; Mr. J. Van Vechten Olcott; Prof. Thomas Egleston; Mr. Henry Budd.

J. S. B. HODGES, *Chairman of Committee*.

The Rev. Dr. Christian, from the Joint Commission on Swedish Orders, presented the following report, which was made the special order after the pending orders are disposed of:

Your Joint Commission, to whom was entrusted the consideration of the subject of the regularity and validity of the Orders of the Church of Sweden, beg leave to report that they have given the matter their careful study.

1. They find that there is a very strong probability that in the Established Church of Sweden, a tactual ministerial succession has been continued since the period of the Lutheran Reformation.

2. They also find that since that time the Swedish Church has not retained the three Orders of the Ministry, the Diaconate, as an Holy Order, being entirely rejected.

3. They further find that at Swedish ordinations, the laying on of hands is accompanied by no words denoting the conferring of any gift, order or office; nor by any prayer for the descent of the Holy Ghost. The only words now used, and this has been the unvarying custom since 1571, are the Lord's Prayer.

4. They also find that the same ceremony of laying on of hands and the same words are used at the "Ordination to the Office of Preaching," at the "Installing into the Office of Church Pastor," and at the "Installing of a Bishop into Office."

5. They also find that while "ordination" or "consecration" to the Episcopate is sometimes spoken of in the Canon Law, in the present Office Books there is no such service, but only one for "Installing a Bishop into Office" which corresponds almost exactly with the form for "Installing a Church Pastor into Office."

Your Joint Commission could add other facts, but they deem these sufficient to warrant their proposing the following resolution:

Resolved, That (while not giving any judgment with regard to the validity or otherwise of ordinations ministered by the Established Church of Sweden, for the reason that the subject is now before the Lambeth Conference) for the greater security of our own people, this General Convention judges it right that without first receiving the Order of Deacon and afterwards that of Priesthood, with the undoubtedly sufficient form of words provided by our Prayer Book and from a Bishop in Communion with this Church, no Minister of the Swedish Church shall be allowed to officiate in any congregation under the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

W. E. McLAREN,
WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY,
A. M. RANDOLPH,
G. McCLELLAN FISKE,
G. M. CHRISTIAN,
H. R. PERCIVAL,
ARTHUR LAWRENCE,
Members of Joint Commission.

[For the consideration of report see p. 305.]

The Rev. Dr. Perkins, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred Message No. 44 of the House of Bishops recommending that the title-page of the Book of Common Prayer be changed by the omission of the words "according to the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America," and the addition of the words "according to the American use," so that it will read: "The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, according to the American use," respectfully report that they have given careful consideration to the matter committed to them, and recommend to the House concurrence with the House of Bishops in the above resolution, with the following amendment; viz., the addition of the following words: "together with the Psalter or Psalms of David," so that the title-page of the Prayer Book shall read: "The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, according to the American use, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David."

J. S. B. HODGES.
JAMES RANKINE.
G. M. CHRISTIAN.
W. W. BATTERSHALL.
W. J. GOLD.
E. L. TEMPLE.

By permission, the Rev. Dr. Blanchard of the same Committee, presented a minority report, as follows :

The undersigned, members of the Committee on the Prayer Book, desire to express their dissent from the report of the Committee for the following reasons :

The resolution before the House of Deputies proposes an amendment to the title-page of the Prayer Book. For twelve years, from 1880 to 1892, the revision of the Book of Common Prayer was under discussion in the General Convention of this Church. The same amendment, in nearly similar terms, was proposed and voted down in 1886. It was understood that at the General Convention in 1892 the whole subject of revision was to be closed. It is true, no doubt, that any one is at liberty, at any time, to propose changes, but, by general consent, the Church seemed to commit itself to the closing of the subject for many years. If we enter upon any revision no one can tell to what it will lead. If it be replied that this is only a change in the title-page and not in the contents, the sufficient answer is that the change proposed involves more serious consequences than a great many that were finally adopted in the Prayer Book itself. The statement of the present title-page is accurate, however incomplete some may deem it to be.

We might suggest that exceptions could be taken to the proposed title-page, that on any accepted theory of this Church it cannot be justified ; but the undersigned think it sufficient to express their dissent from the conclusion of the Committee on the one ground that it is a virtual reopening of the subject of Prayer Book revision. The standard book has been finally presented to the General Convention. We believe that a change now is distinctly unwise and to be deprecated as the unsettling of a great question which has been happily decided, and that it will tend to alarm the minds and awaken the fears of many of the most loyal members of our Communion. We therefore hope that this House will vote against the resolution to concur with the action of the House of Bishops.

E. T. PERKINS.
JOSEPH N. BLANCHARD.
JAMES S. BIDDLE.
J. PIERPONT MORGAN.

The question being taken on the resolution appended to the report of the Committee, it failed of adoption, by the following vote :

DIOCESSES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Iowa, Maine, Milwaukee, Newark, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Quincy, Springfield, Vermont, Western New York, West Missouri, — 19.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Central Pennsylvania, Colorado, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Milwaukee, Springfield, Tennessee, Vermont, Western New York, — 12.

DIOCESSES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Texas, Virginia, Western Michigan, West Virginia, — 30.

LAY VOTE. — Arkansas, Central New York, Chicago, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 30.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Connecticut, New Jersey, Tennessee, — 3.

LAY VOTE — Maine, Newark, North Carolina, Pittsburgh, — 4.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 59.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 38 ;

And that it has appointed, as members of the Deputation to attend the next General Synod of the Church of England in Canada, on its part, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of Milwaukee.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 60.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That there shall be a meeting of the Board of Missions on Friday morning next, immediately after Divine Service.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Anstice of Western New York, it was

Resolved, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in their action communicated in Message No. 60, for the reason that a session can be held on Friday morning of the Board of Missions, at the session on Thursday evening, shall so direct.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 11th day of the Session,
October 15, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 61.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons be continued, and

the Canons in their report, not finally acted upon at this Convention, be recommitted to it, with instructions to report to the next General Convention.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, presented their final report, being Canon 35. [See Appendix XVI.]

The House proceeded to the consideration of the Order of the Day; viz., Message No. 19 from the House of Bishops. [See p. 237.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. McKim of Maryland, it was

Resolved, That Message No. 19 from the House of Bishops, with all proposed amendments, be referred to the same Committee of this House, to which the other Messages relating to the Constitutions have been referred, and under the same instructions.

The House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, Mr. Sowdon, from the Committee on Expenses, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 3.

1. The Committee on Expenses, to which was referred the resolution of the Clerical Deputy from Michigan, in regard to an appropriation for the Bishop in charge of American Churches in Europe, reports that in its judgment it is inexpedient for this House to legislate upon the matter.

2. The same Committee, to which was referred the resolution of the Clerical Deputy from West Missouri, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That five thousand copies of the report of the Committee on the State of the Church be printed in pamphlet form and distributed to the Reverend Clergy; and that it be recommended to the Clergy to read the report, or portions thereof, to their congregations at the earliest convenient time.

3. *Resolved*, That the resolution of Mr. Carpenter of New Jersey, in relation to Printing, be taken from the Calendar of this House, and referred to the Committee on Expenses.

[For the report of the Committee on the second resolution see p. 307.]

The House took from the Calendar Report No. 1 of the Committee on the State of the Church [see p. 229]; and, on motion, the resolution appended thereto was adopted.

The House took from the Calendar the resolution of Mr. Fairbanks [see p. 232] amending Article 5 of the Constitution. On motion, the proposed amendment was referred to the Special Committee to which has been referred Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the Order of the Day; viz., Report No. 5, of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 260.] The Rev. Mr. Faudé moved to substitute the resolution appended to the Minority Report for the resolution appended to the Majority Report.

Pending discussion, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 12th day of the Session,
October 16, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 62.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That consent be given to the erection of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Texas into a Diocese, and that the boundaries of said Diocese conform to those of the Missionary District of Northern Texas as originally set forth by the General Convention of 1874.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 322.]

On motion, the House adjourned.

THIRTEENTH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 17, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Shields of Florida, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Fond du Lac.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 11.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonial has been received entitling to a seat in this Convention Mr. William H. Webb of Milwaukee in place of Mr. John B. Winslow, excused from further attendance.

Leave of absence has been granted to J. H. Fitts of Kentucky, F. S. Knight of Florida, the Rev. Dr. Waters of Louisiana, and the Rev. Dr. Eggar of Central New York.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

The Rev. Dr. Bliss, from the Joint Committee on Christian Education, presented a report. [See Appendix XII.]

The Rev. Dr. Parks of Massachusetts offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That in future editions of the Hymnal, the hymn "My country, 't is of thee," commonly called "America" be inserted in its authorized form.

[For the consideration of the resolution see p. 307.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Beatty of Kansas, it was

Resolved, That so much of the report of the Commission on Revision of the Constitution and Canons as relates to the Canons on Ordination be made the Order of the Day when the pending orders are disposed of.

The Rev. Dr. Hodges of Maryland offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar :

Resolved, That the Committee to whom were referred various amendments to the Constitution, and the Messages of the House of Bishops referring to the same, append to the report which they are authorized to have printed and circulated six months before the meeting of the next General Convention, the text of the Messages from the House of Bishops.

[For the consideration of the resolution see p. 309.]

On motion, the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Nelson relating to the Hymnal [see p. 214] was taken from the Calendar and adopted.

On motion, the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Beaven in relation to an offering for the General Clergy Relief Fund [see p. 278] was taken from the Calendar and adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 6.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom were referred the Memorial of the Diocese of Minnesota, praying that a certain portion of the said Diocese therein defined be set off as a Missionary Jurisdiction, and also Message No. 46 of the House of Bishops, informing the House of Deputies that it had on its part acceded to the prayer of the memorial, respectfully report that they have duly considered the subject in all its bearing, and that, acting upon the precedents established in previous cases similar to this, recommend the passage of the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House concur in Message 46 of the House of Bishops.

W. R. HUNTINGTON, *Chairman*.

On motion, the House adopted the resolution appended to the report, and concurred in Message No. 46 of the House of Bishops.

The Rev. Dr. Morrison of Albany offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution :

Resolved, That Article 5 of the Constitution be amended by adding the following words: "The consent of a majority of the parishes in the territory of the proposed new Diocese shall always be certified to the General Convention before the ratification of the proposed division."

[For the report of the Committee see p. 313.]

The Rev. Dr. Eccleston, from the Joint Committee to nominate Members of the Missionary Council and the Board of Managers, presented a report; and, on his motion, the persons named in the report were elected. [For the names of the members of the Council and Board of Managers see Appendix II.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 9.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred two resolutions respecting amendments to Title III., Canon 8, § 1 [1], "Of General Clergy Relief," respectfully report that they have carefully considered the same, and that, in their opinion, since the Canon seems to make all the provisions necessary for the proper administration of the trust, it is inexpedient to amend it. As the difficulty hitherto experienced in complying with the Canon has been occasioned by the order in which the Trustees were nominated by the General Convention, it is recommended that the remedy be found in the nomination of Trustees for the term of three years next ensuing. Clause [2], § I., of this Canon shows that the intent of the General Convention of 1892 was that the Trustees should secure such legislation as would provide for the enlargement of the number of Trustees from seven to fifteen. The information of the Committee is that no such application for enlarged Charter has been made. The Committee, therefore, recommend the passage of the following resolution, which has been referred to this Committee:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Trustees be instructed to secure a change in the Charter of the Society, so as to provide for the enlargement in the number of the Trustees, as indicated in the action of the General Convention of 1892.

By order of the Committee,

. F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 308.]

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 10.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred certain proposed amendments of Title I., Canon 19, § xii., after careful consideration of the subject, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xii., be amended so as to read as follows: "It shall be the duty of a Bishop, when leaving his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction for the space of three calendar months, to authorize by writing under his hand the Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, to act as the Ecclesiastical

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Authority thereof. And in case of the temporary disability of the Bishop, he may authorize the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, or the Standing Committee to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority; *Provided*, that nothing in this Canon shall be so construed as to prevent any Bishop who may have issued such authorization from exercising his jurisdiction himself, so far as the same may be practicable, during his absence from his Diocese, or from permitting and authorizing any other Bishop to perform Episcopal offices for him."

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day; viz., Report No. 5 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 260.]

Pending the consideration of the question, the following Messages were received from the House of Bishops, and referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 63.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has erected a new Missionary District in the Islands of Japan, to be called the Missionary District of Kyoto;

And that it nominates to the House of Deputies, for election as a Bishop of the Church to exercise Episcopal functions in the said Missionary District, the Rev. Joseph M. Francis, a Presbyter of the Missionary District of Tokyo.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 64.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it nominates to the House of Deputies, for election as a Bishop of the Church to exercise Episcopal functions in the Missionary District of Alaska, the Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe, a Presbyter of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 299.]

The hour of twelve having arrived, the House met with the House of Bishops to consider the subject of Christian Education, the Bishop of Albany in the chair.

The report of the Joint Committee on Christian Education [see Appendix XII.] was presented by the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee.

The report of the Church University Board of Regents [see

Appendix XIII.] was presented by the Rev. Dr. Greer of New York.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Fulton of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the Church University Board of Regents be requested to consider the expediency and feasibility of uniting the Divinity Schools of the Church in one organization as a Theological University, in connection with the General Theological Seminary.

On motion, the joint meeting dissolved, and the House adjourned.

The House having resumed its session, on motion, the House reconsidered its action on the resolution appended to Report No. 6 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution [see p. 294]; and, on motion, the report was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Mr. Spalding of California offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, were adopted :

WHEREAS, the House of Deputies has passed unanimously a resolution requesting a yearly collection for the benefit of the Infirm Clergy Relief Fund upon Quinquagesima Sunday or the Sunday nearest thereto that may be most convenient; therefore,

Resolved, That this House do respectfully request the House of Bishops to embody this request in their Pastoral in such a way as may present its importance to the Protestant Episcopal Church in America.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day; viz., Report No. 5 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 260.]

By permission of the House the Rev. Mr. Faudé withdrew his motion to substitute the resolution appended to the Minority Report for that appended to the report of the Committee, and the question recurring on a motion to adopt the latter, it was lost by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — California, Central Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Western Michigan, — 19.

LAY VOTE. — Albany, Arkansas, Connecticut, East Carolina, Easton, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, — 15.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, Central New York, Chicago, Colorado, East Carolina, Florida, Fond du Lac, Maine, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Quincy, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, West Missouri, — 23.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Florida, Iowa, Kentucky, Long Island, Maine, Milwaukee, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, Ohio, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 27.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Kentucky, Long Island, Maryland, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Virginia, Western New York, West Virginia, — 11.

LAY VOTE. — Delaware, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, — 3.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the election of the persons nominated by the Committee, and in the action of the House of Bishops communicated in their Message :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 65.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Joint Committee appointed to nominate a Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and a Missionary Council, to serve until the next General Convention, which is hereto appended, and has, the House of Deputies concurring, elected the persons nominated by the Committee, in accordance with said nomination; and it has further, the House of Deputies concurring, adopted the resolution appended to the report, authorizing the Secretary of the Board of Managers to call the Board together for organization.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 66.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 50, recommending a Sunday for offerings for the General Clergy Relief Fund.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FOURTEENTH DAY.

S. LUKE'S DAY, Friday, October 18, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. It being the festival of S. Luke, the Holy Communion was administered, the Bishop of Pittsburgh being the celebrant, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany and the Bishop of Tokyo.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 12.

The Committee on Elections would report that proper testimonials have been received entitling the Rev. Fayette Royce, D.D., of Milwaukee, to a seat in this Convention in place of Rev. E. P. Wright, D.D., unable longer to attend.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from the Committee on Consecration of Bishops, presented the following report, and, on motion, the resolution appended to the report was adopted :

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 64 from the House of Bishops, nominating the Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe, a Presbyterian of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan, for election as a Bishop of the Church, to exercise Episcopal Jurisdiction in the Missionary District of Alaska, have considered the same, and beg leave to report the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House proceed to act upon the aforesaid nomination.

E. A. HOFFMAN, *Chairman.*

On motion, the hour of 12.30 to-day was fixed for an executive session of the House, to act upon the nomination of the Rev. Mr. Rowe, for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Alaska. [For action of the House see p. 307.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Alsop, the report of the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members was made the Order of the Day for 11 A.M., on next Monday, at which time the report will be presented.

The Rev. Dr. Lawrence, from the Joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society, presented a report. [For action of the House already taken see p. 285.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the action of the House of Bishops communicated therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 67.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolutions contained in its Message No. 39, proposing amendments in the Constitution of the

General Theological Seminary, except that it has adopted the former part of the *proviso* attached to Article V. in the following form:

Provided, however, that, when directed by the Standing Committee, the Secretary of the Board shall give notice to every member thereof that nominations to fill a vacancy in the Professorships will be received by him at any time.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson, from the Joint Commission on the Hymnal, presented the following report which was placed on the Calendar:

The Commission on the Hymnal present the following report:

The Commission on the Hymnal, in conformity with the instructions contained in the concurrent resolution under which it was empowered, has superintended the publication of the Hymnal and secured the royalty upon it.

The completed work of the Commission has been in the hands of the Church for three years, to the enrichment, we think it will be generally conceded, of her services. Retaining the best hymns of the old collection, together with a number of those that were specially endeared to many persons by their associations, it has brought into use new material, the beauty and adaptability of which are more and more being recognized; it has provided an arrangement not only under the several headings, but within them, that is natural and consistent; it has grouped the hymns, whenever possible, according to subjects, and it has improved much of the old material by better and truer readings.

The Commission notes with satisfaction that in the lists of authors of hymns in the Hymnal both our own Church and the Nation are honourably represented. Among those living are the Bishops of Western New York and of Albany, the Reverend Drs. Roberts and Bradley, the Reverend Messrs. F. W. Bartlett, William A. White, Mrs. M. A. Thompson, Miss McLeod. Among those gone from us are Bishops George W. Doane, George Burgess, and Phillips Brooks, the Reverend Drs. Crosswell, Muhlenberg, and Hopkins, Francis S. Key, and the late Prof. Henry Coppée. The national list contains the names of Bryant, Holmes, Ray Palmer, S. F. Smith, J. S. Dwight, C. T. Brooks, and Denis Wortman.

Without expressing any judgment in the matter, the Commission conceives that it would not be altogether true to its duty if it did not call attention to the fact that one musical edition of the Hymnal has departed from the report of the Commission as adopted, in the matter of the omission of some of the headings, and of the lists of references by first lines.

Of the resolutions referred to it by the Convention of 1892, the Commission reports in one case that it deems it advisable to adhere to its use of the twofold form of the human name of our Blessed Lord, on the ground that that use is desired by many members of the Church; that it is a return in several instances to the original, and that it is in accordance with the use of one of the best-known Hymnals of the English Church, — that of Bishop Bickersteth. In the other case, the Commission considers it inexpedient, under present circumstances, “that permission be given to any Diocese to authorize the use of Hymns Ancient and Modern.”

As in its previous report, the Commission is called upon to record and to lament the death of two of its members, — Dr. Henry Coppée, Professor of English, and sometime Head of Leigh University, and Dr. F. E. Oliver of Boston, long noted for his cordial and skilled interest in the Music and Hymnody of the Church.

From time to time the attention of the Commission has been called either to some typographical error, or to some verbal change, which the author of the hymn desired. Such alterations, in the interest of accuracy and improvement, have been attended to. In view of the fact that other alterations of like character may yet be required in order to bring the Hymnal of the Church to greater perfection, the Commission offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Commission on the Hymnal be continued, with power to correct such errors as may still be discovered in the book, or to bring the Hymns of living authors into conformity with the expressed wishes of their authors.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE, *Chairman*.
T. U. DUDLEY.
J. S. B. HODGES.
E. A. BRADLEY.
H. W. NELSON, JR., *Secretary*.
JAS. S. BIDDLE.

[For consideration of the report see p. 329.]

The Rev. Mr. Taylor of Fond du Lac offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was laid on the table:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee of six, two Bishops, two Clerical and two Lay Deputies, be appointed to confer with the Committee of Arrangements at the next General Convention, to arrange for a place of the meetings of this Convention other than a Church.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 11.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred proposed amendments of Title III., Canon 7, § i., respectfully report that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, § i., Article IV., be amended so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV. There shall be a Missionary Council of this Church. It shall comprise all the Bishops of this Church, all the members of the Board of Managers, such other clergymen or laymen as may be selected by the General Convention at its triennial meetings, and in addition thereto, one Presbyter and one Layman from each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction to be chosen by the Convention, Council, or Convocation of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, who shall hold office until the next General Convention. This Council so formed shall meet annually except in those years appointed for the meeting of the Board of Missions, at such time and place as may be designated by the Board of Managers with the approval of the presiding Bishop. Said Council shall be competent to take all necessary action in regard to the Missionary work of the Church, which shall not conflict with the general policy of the Board of Missions as from time to time determined at its triennial session. In case a vacancy occur in the representation of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction between the sessions of the Convention, Council, or Convocation thereof, it shall be competent for the Bishop to fill the vacancy,

the delegate so appointed to hold office until the next session of the Convention, Council, or Convocation.

There shall also be appointed in like manner a Board of Managers, comprising the Presiding Bishop as President, and fifteen other Bishops, fifteen Presbyters, and fifteen Laymen, who shall have the management of the general Missions of this Church, and when the Board of Missions is not in session, shall exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; they shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and they shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number.

All other Bishops of this Church, together with the Secretary and Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and of the Board of Managers, shall be *ex officio* members of the Board, and have all the rights and privileges of the elected members except the right to vote.

Whenever demanded by one-fifth of the members present, a majority of two-thirds of the members voting shall be necessary to any act of the Board. In all annual appropriations, and in entering upon or abandoning any missionary field, as also in changing the By-Laws, a majority must be present. For all other business, the Board may, by a By-Law, determine the quorum.

The Board of Managers shall make a full and complete Triennial Report to the General Convention, constituted as the Board of Missions, on or before the third day of the session of the General Convention, and a similar report to the Missionary Council at its annual meetings, comprising such an outline of the missionary work prosecuted during the preceding year as may serve to give a comprehensive view of the progress, prospects, and present condition of the work of the Society in the several parts of the Domestic and Foreign fields.

There shall be appointed at each meeting of the General Convention and of the Missionary Council, a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Board of Missions, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of work for the ensuing meeting of the Board of Missions, or of the Missionary Council.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman.*

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 320.]

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT No. 12.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolution of the Diocese of Florida, looking to the adoption by this Church of the "Authorized Table of Degrees of Kindred and Affinity," as presented on pp. 469-474 of the Journal of 1880, recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the resolution of the Diocese of Florida be referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman.*

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT No. 13.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment of Title III., Canon 2, § iii., respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 2, § iii., be amended so as to read as follows:

When there is no Bishop, or when it is certified in writing by at least two reputable physicians, who shall have examined the case, that the Bishop is incapable of giving authority, and upon the advice of two Bishops of adjoining Dioceses, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority, and shall retain such authority until such time as by like certificates the Bishop shall be declared competent to perform his official duties.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 319.]

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 14.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolution calling for the representation of the Canon on Marriage and Divorce, as presented to the General Convention of 1892, pp. 336 and 337 of the Journal, respectfully report as follows: In view of the fact that one Canon on this subject is already before the House of Deputies, and that we have a Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons, the Committee offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Canon above noted be referred to the Joint Commission for its consideration.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 15.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed Canon on Lay Readers, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposed Canon be referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons for its consideration.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 16.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred proposed amendments of Title I., Canons 7 and 10, respectfully offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 7, § v.

(b), be amended so as to read as follows: (b) A certificate from the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor, declaring the date of his admission and the character of his candidateship, and also a certificate from the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor, or from the Examining Chaplains, that he has passed satisfactorily his examinations for Deacon's Orders, as provided in Title I., Canon 5, § ii., or Title I., Canon 6, § vi. [1] and [2]; *Provided*, that when such certificates cannot be had, other evidence, satisfactory to the Committee, shall suffice.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 10, § i. (a), be amended so as to read as follows: § i. No person shall be ordained Priest unless he be first recommended to the Bishop for ordination by the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs. In order to such recommendation, he must lay before the Standing Committee (a) A certificate from the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor, attesting that he is of sufficient age, and that the terms of his candidateship and the time of his service in the Diaconate have been completed, and also a certificate from the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor, or from the Examining Chaplains, that he has passed satisfactorily his examinations for Priest's Orders as provided in Title I., Canon 6, § vi.; *Provided*, that when such certificates cannot be had, other evidence, satisfactory to the Committee, shall suffice.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 320.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, § i., Article IV., be amended by striking out the words "Said Council shall be competent to take all necessary action in regard to the Missionary work of the Church which shall not conflict with the general policy of the Board of Missions as from time to time determined at its Triennial session," and inserting in place thereof the words "Said Council shall be competent to consider the Missionary Work of the Church, to make such recommendations to the Board of Managers as it may deem expedient, and to increase interest in the work of the Board of Missions."

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 320.]

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 63 from the House of Bishops informing the House of Deputies that it [the House of Bishops] has erected a new Missionary District in the Islands of Japan, to be called the "Missionary District of Kyoto," and nominating the Rev. Joseph M. Francis, a Presbyter of the Missionary District of Tokyo, for election as a Bishop of the Church, to exercise Episcopal Jurisdiction in the Missionary District of Kyoto, beg leave to report:

That they have no evidence before them that the said Missionary District has been erected with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, as required by Title I., Canon 19, Section vii. [1], which states that "The House of Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons, to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any Missionary station or stations of this Church out of the Territory of the United States,

which the House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, may have designated."

They therefore report the following resolution for adoption by the House of Deputies:

Resolved, That Message No. 63 be respectfully returned to the House of Bishops, with the statement that this House has no information that the Missionary District of Kyoto has as yet been canonically erected, with the concurrence of this House, as required by Title 1., Canon 19, Section vi. [1].

E. A. HOFFMAN, *Chairman*.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day; viz., the report of the Commission on Swedish Orders [see p. 288]; the consideration of which, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Greer of New York, was indefinitely postponed.

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day; viz., so much of the report of the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, as relates to the Canons of Ordination; which, on motion, was recommitted to the Commission.

On motion, the House of Bishops was respectfully requested to return Message No. 51 from this House, relating to the setting off of a portion of the Diocese of Minnesota.

The Rev. Dr. Elliott, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 7.

The Committee to whom was referred Message No. 56 of the House of Bishops begs leave respectfully to report:

The object of the amendment is that whenever it may be proposed to erect a new Diocese within the limits of a Missionary District, the consent of the Bishop and Convocation be required just as the consent of the Bishop and Convention is now required whenever the new Diocese is to be erected within the limits of a Diocese.

Your Committee considers the amendment proper and desirable. But it is the opinion of the Committee that the adoption of the amendment, with the resolution as proposed by the House of Bishops, might leave it doubtful whether or not other provisions of the Article would thereby be annulled. The Committee therefore recommends the adoption of the following amendment to the resolution of the House of Bishops:

Insert in the twelfth line of Article 5 of the Constitution, between the word "concerned" and the words "as well," the following: "and in the case of a Missionary District or Districts, or of the Bishop and Convocation of each," so that the second paragraph of Article 5 shall read as follows:

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts or parts of Districts, or any existing Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses or Districts, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, and in the case of a Missionary District or Districts of the Bishop and Convocation of each, as well as of the General Convention; and such consent shall not be given by the

General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated Diocese.

The Committee, therefore, recommends the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in Message No. 56, with the amendment herein proposed.

On motion, the resolution appended to the report was adopted by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 51.

LAY VOTE. — Albany, Arkansas, Central New York, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western New York, West Virginia, — 41.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 332.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Taylor of Springfield, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Revised Canons be requested to amend or to recast the Canon governing the meetings of the two Houses as a Board of Missions, so that no legislative action shall be had except by the concurrent action of the two Houses of the General Convention.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 320.]

On motion of Mr. Morgan of New York, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Standard Prayer Book be directed to have fifty copies of the Standard Prayer Book, now in its possession, duly attested by the Committee and the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1892, and deposit the same with the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book for use in supplying new Dioceses and Missionary Districts with a duly certified copy of the Standard Prayer Book.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 312.]

Mr. Sowdon, from the Committee on Expenses, presented the following report, which was placed on the Calendar :

REPORT NO. 4.

The Committee on Expenses, to which was referred the resolution presented by Mr. Carpenter of New Jersey, in relation to printing, respectfully report that the same ought to be adopted by this House, and they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That all printing, the expense of which is to be borne by this Convention, required by any Committee or Commission, during the interval between the meetings of the General Convention, be done under the direction of the Secretary of this House.

[For the consideration of the report see p. 329.]

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, and took into consideration the Memorial [see p. 220] respecting the insertion in the Hymnal of the hymn "My country, 'tis of thee," together with the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Parks on the same subject. [See p. 294.] The resolution was, on motion, adopted. [For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 320.]

The House proceeded to consider, in executive session, the nomination of the Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe as Missionary Bishop of Alaska, and, after the President had led the House in prayer, elected the Rev. Mr. Rowe by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 51.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, Central New York, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western New York, West Virginia, — 43.

On motion of Mr. H. Burgwin of Pittsburgh, it was

Resolved, That the House proceed to sign the proper certificate in testimony of the election by this House of the Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe as Missionary Bishop of Alaska, to be presented to the House of Bishops.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 13th day of the Session,
October 17, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 68.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 52, with reference to a proposed change in the Charter of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, etc.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On request of the House of Bishops that House was allowed to substitute the two following Messages for its Message No. 63 received at yesterday's session:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 69.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a new Missionary District be erected in the islands of Japan, taken from the present Missionary District of Tokyo, to be called the Missionary District of Kyoto.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [For the report of the Committee see p. 317.]

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 70.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it nominates to the House of Deputies for election as a Bishop of the Church to exercise Episcopal functions in the Missionary District of Kyoto, the Rev. Joseph M. Francis, a Presbyter of the Missionary District of Tokyo.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar. [For the consideration of the Message see p. 330.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 71.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it accedes to the request of the House of Deputies contained in its Message No. 57, and returns to the House of Deputies its Message No. 51.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The House took a recess, after which it went into executive session to consider Report No. 6 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 294.]

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 13.

The Committee on Elections would report that proper testimonials have been received entitling Rev. J. Stewart Smith of West Missouri, to a seat in this Convention in place of Rev. Robert Talbot, unable longer to attend.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman.*

Report No. 6 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution being under consideration, on motion, the resolution appended to the report was adopted.

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar ; viz., the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Hodges relating to printing Messages of the House of Bishops. [See p. 294.] On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar ; viz., Report No. 3 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 228.] On motion, the report was laid on the table.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar ; viz., Message No. 41 from the House of Bishops naming the Church University Board of Regents. On motion, the House concurred in the election of the persons named in the Message.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 72.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution with reference to Message No. 48 from the House of Deputies :

Resolved, That in the judgment of this House the setting forth of a Form of Prayer for use in the churches on the Fourth of July annually is inexpedient at the present time ; every Bishop having the privilege and right to set forth a form for his own Diocese, until experience and comparison may suggest the best and most practical manner of formulating an office for the Fourth of July worthy of being added to the Book of Common Prayer.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary.*

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 73.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 49, having adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House the resolution of the Gen-

eral Convention of 1871, which forbids the binding of the Hymnal with the Book of Common Prayer, ought not to be rescinded; it being all-important to guard the popular mind against a confusion of ideas as to what the Prayer Book is and what is included in its contents.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House granted the Committee of Conference requested therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 74.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the amendments proposed by it in its Message No. 37 to the resolution contained in Message No. 9 from this House, except the substitution of the word "Convention" for the word "Synod," and the omission from Section 2 of the words "having jurisdiction" and the words "by reason of advanced age or infirmity"; and that this House has substituted the word "relieved" for the word "removed" in Section 3, and has stricken out from Section 6 the words "within the limits of the United States," and has added to Section 4 the words "at any time before the final adjournment of the Convention then in session";

And the House of Bishops asks for a Committee of Conference, and appoints, as members of said Committee on its part, the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Kentucky, and the Bishop of Delaware.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the appointment of the Committee of Conference see p. 312.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and referred to the Committee on Canons :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 75.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following words be added to Article IV., of Section I., of Canon 7, of Title III., after the words "Missionary Jurisdiction" in lines nine and ten of said Article IV.: "said Presbyter and said Layman to continue in office for one year or until a successor is appointed."

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 316.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the resolution contained therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 76.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Committee of Conference in regard to an Index and Digest of all Journals of the General Convention, and has adopted the resolution contained therein, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 316.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House granted the Committee of Conference:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 77.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House ask the House of Deputies for a Committee of Conference on the relations of the two Houses in the matter of Messages;

And this House appoints, as members of said Committee on its part, the Bishop of Quincy, the Bishop of Maryland, and the Bishop of New York.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the appointment of the Committee of Conference see p. 313.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 78.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, The Diocese of North Carolina, by deliberate action of the Bishop, and the Convention thereof, has, for urgent and sufficient reasons, declared its desire to establish its western limits on the western lines of the counties of Surry, Yadkin, Iredell, and Mecklenburg, by a line running from the State line of Virginia on the north, to that of South Carolina on the south, and has proposed to transfer to the General Convention the counties of Allegheny, Wilkes, Alexander, Catawba, Lincoln, and Gaston, together with all territory of the present Diocese of North Carolina lying to the westward of said last-named counties, in order that the same may be erected into a Missionary Jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, This House is sufficiently advised of the consent of the parishes lying on either side of the line to the proposed cession of said territory for the purpose aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, Doubts are entertained by many of the power under our Constitution permanently to alter the territorial extent of a Diocese in this form, yet impressed with the great necessities of the Church in that Diocese, and of the justice of her claims to prompt relief, and following repeated precedents in like cases; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the limitations of the Jurisdiction of the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina within the limits above indicated until such constitutional amendment, and legislation thereunder, can be secured as are necessary to remove the doubts aforesaid, and that in the meantime the territory west of the limits aforesaid, and within the State of North Carolina, be held and treated as Missionary Territory, and subject to Missionary Jurisdiction.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee p. 323.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 14th day of the Session,
October 18, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 78½.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 63, directing the Joint Committee on the Standard Book of Common Prayer to reserve copies of the book printed from the type of the Standard for new Dioceses and Jurisdictions.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar; viz., the resolutions offered by Mr. Prince and the Rev. Mr. Schouler, [see p. 278] relating to the printing of the name Jesus, in the Hymnal. [See further p. 317.]

Pending discussion of the resolutions, on motion, the House adjourned.

FIFTEENTH DAY.

SATURDAY, October 19, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Leffingwell of Maine, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Vermont.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The President announced the appointment of the following Committees:

Committee of Conference, as requested in Message No. 74 from the House of Bishops: the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York, the Rev. Dr. Parks of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Atwater of Minnesota.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 325.]

Committee of Conference, as requested in Message No. 77 from the House of Bishops: the Rev. Dr. Elliott of Maryland, Mr. Temple of Vermont, and Mr. Merrick of Pennsylvania.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 322.]

Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops relating to proposed Amendments to the Constitution: the Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York, the Rev. Dr. Elliott of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Egar of Central New York, the Rev. Dr. Taylor of Springfield, the Rev. Dr. Fulton of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Fiske of Rhode Island, Mr. Edmunds of Vermont, Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, Mr. H. Burgwin of Pittsburgh, Mr. Mills of Newark, Mr. Bennett of Massachusetts, and Mr. Earl of Albany.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington desired to be excused from serving on the Committee.

The President appointed, to fill vacancies on the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, the Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee and the Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 8.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred the amendment to Article 5 proposed by the Rev. Dr. Morrison of Albany, to wit: "the consent of a majority of the parishes in the territory of the proposed new Diocese shall always be certified to the General Convention before the ratification of the proposed Diocese," begs leave respectfully to report:

The object of the proposed amendment is to protect a part of a Diocese from being erected into a new Diocese against the will of the parishes in such proposed new Diocese.

As the Constitution now stands, the consent of the Convention of the Diocese is required for the erection of the new Diocese, but it may happen that all the affirmative votes come from the part that remains as the old Diocese, and that such affirmative votes may be a majority of all the votes in the Convention, and so overrule the negative votes of the part to be erected into a new Diocese. The adoption of the proposed amendment would forbid the erection of the new Diocese unless the consent of the majority of the parishes within the territory proposed to be set off be first had.

Your Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following alteration be made in Article 5 of the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, in order that the same may be finally agreed to or ratified at the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Add at the close of the second paragraph the following words: "And also of the consent to the erection of such Diocese of a majority of the parishes or congregations in union with the Diocesan Convention, or of the parishes or congregations canonically constituted in a Missionary

District within the territory of the proposed new Diocese"; so that the closing sentence of the second paragraph of Article 5, as thus amended, shall read as follows: "And such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese, and also of the consent to the erection of such Diocese of a majority of the parishes or congregations in union with the Diocesan Convention, or of the parishes or congregations canonically constituted in a Missionary District within the territory of the proposed new Diocese."

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,
W. R. HUNTINGTON, *Chairman.*

On motion, the resolution appended to the report was adopted by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 52.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Arkansas, Central New York, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Nebraska, Newark, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Vermont, Western New York, West Virginia, — 29.

DIOCESE VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Milwaukee, — 1.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 332.]

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 9.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred the resolution of Mr. Nash of New York, relating to the establishment of a Court of Appeals by the General Convention, respectfully recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That in view of the great importance of the subject, and the present stage of the session, it is inexpedient to legislate on the subject at present, and that the matter be referred to the next General Convention; and that they be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted, for the Committee,
W. R. HUNTINGTON, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Dr. Perkins of Kentucky offered the following amendment to the resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee of this House, to whom were referred Messages of the House on the Revision of the Constitution, be requested to present to the next General Convention a provision for a Court of Appeals, in connection with, or independent of, the Provincial System.

The resolution appended to the report, thus amended, was then adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons :

REPORT NO. 17.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the report of this Committee presented in 1889 (page 360 of Journal), respectfully report that they have carefully considered the same and recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 18, § i., be amended so as to read as follows: § i. [1] Whenever the Rectorship of a Parish shall become vacant, or the resignation of the Rector shall have been accepted, it shall be the duty of the Wardens, without delay, to notify, in writing, the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of the fact and of the date of such vacancy. And the Vestry shall not proceed to the election of a Rector until thirty days shall have passed from the date of sending the above notice to the Bishop.

[2] In the event of the election of a Rector, or of the election or appointment of an Assistant Minister, it shall be the duty of the Wardens or of the Rector to give written notice of the fact of the election or appointment to the Ecclesiastical Authority, which notice may be in the following form, signed by those who certify :

We, the Church Wardens [or in case of an Assistant Minister, We, the Rector and Church Wardens], do certify to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese [or Missionary Jurisdiction] of _____ that the Rev. _____ has been duly chosen Rector [or Assistant Minister with the Rector's approval, as the case may be] of _____ Parish. It shall further be the duty of the Wardens to send a notice, in writing, to the Rector-elect, or to the Assistant Minister, elected or appointed, of such election or appointment as the case may be, which notice shall certify that all the canonical requirements for such election or appointment have been complied with. And if the Ecclesiastical Authority be satisfied that the person so chosen is a qualified Minister of this Church, and accepts the office, he shall transmit the said certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book to be kept by him for that purpose; and such record shall be sufficient evidence of the relationship between the Minister and the Parish.

[3] If a Presbyter be duly elected Rector of a Parish, the Ecclesiastical Authority may, at the instance of the Vestry, proceed to have him instituted, according to the Office established by this Church.

[4] For the purpose of his office and for the full and free discharge of all functions and duties pertaining thereto, the Rector shall, at all times, be entitled to the use and control of the Church and Parish buildings with the appurtenances and furniture thereof.

[5] All spiritual jurisdiction of the Parish is vested in the Rector, subject to the Canons of this Church. The duties of the Assistant Minister are such as may be delegated to him by the Rector. All the other ministers of the Parish, by whatever name they may be designated,

are to be regarded as Assistants to the Rector. The connection of an Assistant Minister with the Parish or Congregation is terminable according to the provisions of the contract under which he is engaged, subject to the laws ecclesiastical and civil.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

On motion of Mr. Bennitt of Newark, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Joint Committee on the Functions of Rectors, Wardens, and Vestrymen, as originally made to the Convention in 1886, together with the Canon reported in 1889 by the Committee on Canons, be referred to the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT NO. 18.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 75 of the House of Bishops, offers the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 19.

The Committee on Canons respectfully report that they have appointed the Rev. F. P. Davenport, D.D., and Mr. Henry Ingalls as the Committee to certify changes, in accordance with Title IV., Canon 2, § ii.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops and referred to the Committee on Canons :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 15th day of the Session,
October 19, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 79.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1], be amended by adding in line six of said paragraph, after the words "whether Domestic or Foreign," the following words: "or in case a Missionary Jurisdiction shall not previously have been provided with a Missionary Bishop," and after the words "vacancy or vacancies" in line sixteen, the words "or absence of provision."

Attest: SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 328.]

The Rev. Dr. Anstice, from the Committee of Conference, as requested in Message No. 32 from the House of Bishops, p.

253], presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

The Committee of Conference, to which was referred Message No. 32 of the House of Bishops, respectfully reports that it is unanimously of opinion that "an index and digest of all journals of the General Convention" could only be prepared at an expense out of all proportion to the advantages to be derived therefrom; and as both Houses have already concurred in providing for a careful subject-index of the next Journal and of the Constitution and Canons, the Committee recommends that no further legislation on the subject is advisable; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

M. N. GILBERT.
LEIGHTON COLEMAN.
HENRY ANSTICE.
R. S. CONOVER.

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar; viz., the resolutions of Mr. Prince and the Rev. Mr. Schouler, relating to the printing of the name Jesus in the Hymnal. [See p. 278.] The Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York offered the following amendment to the resolution of Mr. Schouler :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on the Hymnal be requested to conform the spelling of the human name of our Blessed Lord to that employed in the authorized version of the Holy Scriptures and of the American Book of Common Prayer, save in those instances in which it can be shown that the shortened form was originally employed by the author or the translator of the hymn.

On motion, the whole subject was laid on the table.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar; viz., the resolution of Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, proposing thanks to the Rev. Dr. C. F. Hoffman. [See p. 278.] By permission of the House, the resolution was withdrawn.

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 6.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the resolution of the House of Bishops in their Message No. 69,

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a new Missionary District be erected in the Islands of Japan, taken from the present Missionary District of Tokyo, to be called the Missionary District of Kyoto, respectfully report: That in view of the rapidly approaching period when the Church in Japan will desire to control its own work and relieve our Church of its Missionary effort in those Islands, in view of the condition of our Missionary treasury under the recent increase of districts demanding our aid at home, and in view of the fact that our Board of Managers is not agreed upon the necessity or wisdom at this time, of dividing the Missionary District of Tokyo, your Committee recommend to the House of Deputies the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it does not concur in the resolution of the House of Bishops in their Message No. 69 establishing the Missionary District of Kyoto.

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman*.

With the permission of the House, the Rev. Dr. Harrison of the same Committee presented the following minority report :

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, beg leave to present their views in regard to the advisability of setting off a new Missionary Jurisdiction in the empire of Japan. They are in favour of the House of Deputies concurring with the House of Bishops in setting off the Jurisdiction of Kyoto, and for the following reasons :

1. This is not an extension of Jurisdiction, but a question of properly and more fully discharging our duty in that for which we are already responsible.

2. The proposed Jurisdiction of Kyoto is separated from the Jurisdiction of Tokyo by an English Jurisdiction of more than three hundred miles in width. If we are unable to care for this work properly, we are informed that the English Church stands ready to assume it. It is generally believed that the United States Government and our own Church stand high in the affections of the Japanese, an appreciation that dates from the days of Commodore Matthew C. Perry. We cannot but believe that a failure to carry out the wishes of the Japanese themselves would have a most discouraging effect on the prospects of the Japanese Church, and delay its formation and establishment for many years.

For these reasons, therefore, we beg leave to offer the following as a substitute for the resolution offered by the Committee :

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with Message No. 69 from the House of Bishops, setting apart the Missionary Jurisdiction of Kyoto.

J. B. HARRISON.

M. M. MOORE.

JNO. L. FARWELL.

LESLIE PELL-CLARKE.

A motion to substitute the resolution appended to the minority report for that appended to the report of the majority, was lost by the following vote :

DIOCESSES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Albany, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Milwaukee, Minnesota, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Springfield, Texas, Western New York, West Missouri, — 13.

LAY VOTE. — Albany, Georgia, Milwaukee, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Quincy, South Carolina, Springfield, Texas, — 9.

DIOCESSES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island,

Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, West Virginia, — 34.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Arkansas, Central New York, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Newark, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Virginia, Western New York, West Virginia, — 26.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Newark, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee, — 5.

LAY VOTE. — Minnesota, New Jersey, — 2.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 15th day of the Session,
October 19, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 80.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

Add to Article 5 of the Constitution the following, to wit: The General Convention may accept a cession of a part of the territorial jurisdiction of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory, and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory, shall consent thereto.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 327.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 15th day of the Session,
October 19, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 81.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 56, proposing an amendment of Title III., Canon 2, § iii., for the reason that, in the judgment of this House, such legislation is at the present time inexpedient.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 15th day of the Session,
October 19, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 82

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House concurs with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 62, proposing a request to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons, with this amendment, to wit : omit the words "to amend or recast," and insert in their place the words "to consider the advisability of amending or recasting."

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 15th day of the Session,
October 19, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 83.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 60, proposing an amendment to Title III., Canon 7, § i., Article IV., in regard to the Missionary Council.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 15th day of the Session,
October 19, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 84.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 61, proposing to insert in the Hymnal the hymn beginning "My country, 't is of thee," on account of the expense involved and the confusion which it would cause.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 15th day of the Session,
October 19, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 85.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolutions contained in its Message No. 59, proposing amendments in Title I., Canon 7, § v. [b], and Title I., Canon 10, § i. [a], for the reason that in the judgment of this House the proposed legislation would introduce unnecessary difficulties and delays in the way of Ordination.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 15th day of the Session,
October 19, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 86.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed, in accordance with Title III., Canon 8, to nominate fifteen persons for election to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen;

And the House of Bishops appoints, as members of said Committee on its part, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of New Jersey, and the Bishop of Texas.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The President appointed, as members of the Committee called for in the foregoing Message, the Rev. Dr. Harwood of Connecticut, the Rev. Dr. Locke of Chicago, the Rev. Dr. Fair of Western Michigan, Mr. Brown of Rhode Island, Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Davis of Massachusetts. [For the report of the Committee see p. 330.]

On motion, the House adjourned.

SIXTEENTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 21, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Beatty of Kansas, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Olympia.

The Minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Locke, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 14.

The Committee on Elections would report that satisfactory evidence has been received that Mr. Charles G. Saunders of Massachusetts is entitled to the seat of Mr. Edward L. Davis of that Diocese, unable longer to attend the session of the Convention.

CLINTON LOCKE, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Lobdell of Western New York, it was

Resolved, That the President of this House be, and hereby is, empowered to fill vacancies, upon the part of this House, which may occur between the meetings of General Convention, in Commissions, Joint Committees, and Committees of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Deputies be, and they are hereby, extended to the Press of Minneapolis and St. Paul, for the very full and accurate accounts which they have given of the proceedings of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Bennett of Massachusetts, it was

Resolved, That the Special Committee of this House, to whom was referred the proposed amendments to the Constitution, be authorized to print with their report the present Constitution, and the amendments thereto, which have been approved at this Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Elliott, from the Committee of Conference, as requested in Message No. 77 from the House of Bishops, presented the following report :

The Committee of Conference, on the relations of the two Houses on the matter of Messages, respectfully report that there does not seem to the Committee that there is any occasion for proposing action upon the subject.

On behalf of the Committee,

ALEX. BURGESS.
JOHN H. ELLIOTT.

The Rev. Dr. Elliott presented the following statement and resolutions :

At an informal meeting of all the Deputies now in Minneapolis, who have been appointed by the Chair to serve on the Committee which has been raised to consider Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the Constitution, and to report to the next General Convention, it was unanimously

Resolved, That, in view of the sincerely regretted declination of the Rev. Dr. Huntington to serve with the Committee, the House of Deputies be requested to appoint the President of the House, the Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix, to serve on said Committee and to act as Chairman thereof. It was further

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. Elliott be requested to offer to the House a resolution embodying this request, and to ask that the present action of the Committee be entered on the Minutes.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Elliott, the Rev. Dr. Dix was unanimously chosen as Chairman of the Committee.

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar ; viz., the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Taylor relating to statistics [see p. 278] ; and, on motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT NO. 7.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred Message No. 62 of the House of Bishops concerning the erection of the Missionary District of Northern Texas into a Diocese, respectfully report that the matter as presented to them involves a new Constitutional question, as it proceeds solely from the Missionary Bishop and not from any preliminary Convocation of the proposed Diocese ; and

therefore your Committee propose the following resolution for the adoption of the House :

Resolved, That Message No. 62 of the House of Bishops be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, with a request that they make report at the earliest possible moment.

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 336.]

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 8.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred Message No. 78 of the House of Bishops giving consent to the erection of a new Missionary Jurisdiction in the Diocese of North Carolina, and a Memorial from the Convention of that Diocese asking such consent, respectfully report, that in view of a rapid increase of population in the proposed Missionary Jurisdiction, of its needs of increased Episcopal supervision, and the difficulty of securing it from the Bishop of North Carolina, abundantly occupied with other parts of his field, and following repeated precedents of this House, taken at the advice of its successive Committees on Constitutional Amendments, we recommend that the House of Deputies adopt the following action :

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concur with the House of Bishops in consenting to the setting off as a Missionary District that part of the State of North Carolina lying west of the eastern line of the counties of Allegheny, Wilkes, Alexander, Catawba, Lincoln, and Gaston, by a line running from the State line of Virginia to that of South Carolina.

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, *Chairman*.

A vote by Dioceses and Orders being called for on the resolution appended to the report, it was adopted by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 51.

LAY VOTE — Alabama, Central New York, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Texas, Vermont, Western New York, West Virginia, — 28.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Albany, — 1.

LAY VOTE. — Albany, Connecticut, Long Island, Nebraska, New York, Springfield, — 6.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Long Island, — 1.

LAY VOTE. — Arkansas, Massachusetts, — 2.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops and referred to the Committee on Canons :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 15th day of the Session,
October 19, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 87.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § vii. [1], be amended by the insertion of a " Form of Certificate of the Election of a Foreign Missionary Bishop " in place of that adopted by the General Convention of 1844, and still, for want of other provision, in force ; so that the Canon, as amended, shall read :

The House of Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any Missionary station or stations of this Church out of the territory of the United States, which the House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, may have designated. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Deputies expressing their assent to the said nomination ; which certificate shall be in the following form :

We whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the Rev. A. B., nominated by the House of Bishops to the House of Deputies for election to the Bishopric of the Missionary District of _____ as a suitable person to be elected a Bishop of this Church in foreign lands, has been duly and canonically elected by the House of Deputies a Bishop, as aforesaid, on this _____ day of _____ A. D. _____.

And we whose names are hereunto subscribed, members of the House of Deputies, do hereby testify that the said Rev. A. B., Missionary Bishop elect of _____ is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion or for viciousness of life ; and that we do not know or believe that there is any impediment on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, therefore, hereby severally signify our assent to the said nomination and election, humbly trusting that the consecration of the said Bishop-elect will conduce to the edification and enlargement of the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Done at _____ in General Convention of the Church in the United States, on this _____ day of _____ A. D. _____.

This certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops, and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 334.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops and referred to the Committee on Canons :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 15th day of the Session,
October 19, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 88.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has had under further consideration the subject of Message No. 56 from the House of Deputies, and has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § xiv. [2], be amended by adding after the words "judicial sentence" these words following, to wit: "or of mental infirmity assured by the judgment of four neighbouring Bishops convened for the purpose, and acting upon the testimony of sufficient medical authority"; so that the paragraph, as amended, shall read:

[2] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is, for the time, under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, or of mental infirmity, assured by the judgment of four neighbouring Bishops convened for the purpose, and acting upon the testimony of sufficient medical authority, may, by its Convention, be placed under provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese or of a Missionary Bishop, etc.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 334.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 89.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Committee of Conference respecting the proposed amendments to the Amendments 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution, and has adopted the resolution contained in said report.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from the Committee of Conference in reference to Messages 37 and 74 of the House of Bishops, presented the following report :

The Committee of Conference on the disagreements of the two Houses of this Convention respecting the amendments to Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution, as communicated in Messages 37 and 74 of the House of Bishops, unanimously report, as the result of their conference, a recommendation that the following resolution be adopted by both Houses :

Resolved, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution :

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution the following :

CONSTITUTIONS.

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately, and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Convention must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdictions, and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Convention, or, for its own needs by the House of Bishops, and shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be relieved from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and by not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either Order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese, so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either Order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one Order only, such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the General Convention.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by Orders; and in all cases of a vote by Orders, the two Orders shall vote separately; each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two Orders, by not less than a majority in each Order of all the Dioceses represented in that Order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House; *Provided*, however, that if it shall appear that a constitutional quorum of the House has not voted, the Presiding Officer shall declare that there has been no vote of the House; and in such a case the question may be again put to the House when a quorum shall be present, at any time before the final adjournment of the Convention then in session.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Convention shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in Foreign Lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at such place as shall have been determined on by the Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Convention.

In behalf of the Committee,

A. CLEVELAND COXE, *Chairman.*

E. A. HOFFMAN, *Secretary.*

On motion, the resolution appended to the report was adopted by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 53.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, Central New York, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Texas, Vermont, Western New York, West Virginia, — 37.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 10.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred Message No. 80 of the House of Bishops, recommending that the following amendment to the Constitution be proposed and made known to the several Dioceses; to wit, add to Article 5 of the Constitution the following :

“The General Convention may accept a cession of a part of the territorial jurisdiction of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory, and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory, shall consent thereto,” respectfully reports as follows :

The proposed amendment effectually removes all doubt with respect to a point as to which this Committee has repeatedly expressed the opin-

ion that doubt ought to be removed. It seems scarcely to comport with the dignity of the House to go on, Convention after Convention, referring cases of this sort to its Committee, constantly receiving the same reply, and yet to take no decisive action in the premises.

Your Committee believes the present to be a good opportunity for settling the question once for all; and by a unanimous vote recommends the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concurs in Message No. 80 of the House of Bishops.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,
W. R. HUNTINGTON, *Chairman*.

The resolution appended to the report was adopted by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 45.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Arkansas, Central New York, Connecticut, Easton, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Quincy, Rhode Island, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Texas, Vermont, Western New York, West Virginia, — 30.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — California, Long Island, Maryland, Newark, Pennsylvania, Southern Virginia, — 6.

LAY VOTE. — Long Island, Pennsylvania, — 2.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Delaware, — 1.

LAY VOTE. — Delaware, — 1.

The Rev. Dr. Alsop presented the report [see Appendix VII.] of the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members, which was followed by suitable prayers read by the President.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 20.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 79 of the House of Bishops, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 79, with amendments, so that Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1], shall read as follows:

§ xvi. [1.] If during the recess of the General Convention, and more than six months previous to its session, any vacancy arise, either by death, resignation, or other cause, in the office of any Missionary Bishop of this Church (whether Domestic or Foreign), or in case the General Convention shall have, by concurrent resolution, given consent to the election during said recess of a Missionary Bishop for a designated Missionary Jurisdiction, the House of Bishops shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention; and thereupon may proceed to fill any and every such vacancy that may then exist, by electing a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions within the district, country, territory, station, or jurisdiction where such vacancy or vacancies may exist; and in case of such election, they shall, by the Presiding Bishop, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the fact of such election to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses; and each Standing Committee that shall consent to the proposed consecration shall forward the evidence of such consent to the Presiding Bishop or Bishop as aforesaid. And if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Presiding or other Bishop, as aforesaid, shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States (excepting those whose resignation has been accepted); and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to perform the same.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 336.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Taylor of Springfield, it was

Resolved, That the House of Deputies respectfully requests a Committee of Conference with regard to Message No. 85 of the House of Bishops declining to concur with Message No. 59 of the House of Deputies touching amendments to Title I., Canons 7 and 10.

The President appointed, as members of the Committee, the Rev. Dr. Davenport, the Rev. Dr. Blanchard, and Mr. Fairbanks.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 338.]

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar; viz., the report of the Hymnal Commission [see p. 300]; and, on motion, the resolution appended to the report was adopted. [For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 333.]

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar; viz., Report No. 4 of the Committee on Expenses [see p. 307]; and, on motion, the resolution appended to the report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Morgan of New York, it was

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Respectfully submitted for the Committee,
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The resolution appended to the report was adopted by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 45.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Arkansas, Central New York, Connecticut, Easton, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Quincy, Rhode Island, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Texas, Vermont, Western New York, West Virginia, — 30.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — California, Long Island, Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania, Southern Virginia, — 6.

LAY VOTE. — Long Island, Pennsylvania, — 2.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Delaware, — 1.

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By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 336.]

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The President appointed, as members of the Committee, the Rev. Dr. Davenport, the Rev. Dr. Blanchard, and Mr. Fairbanks.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 338.]

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The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar; viz., Report No. 4 of the Committee on Expenses [see p. 307]; and, on motion, the resolution appended to the report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Morgan of New York, it was

Resolved, That this House requests of the House of Bishops a Committee of Conference on Message No. 73 of the House of Bishops relating to the binding of the Hymnal with the Prayer Book.

The President appointed, as members of the Committee, the Rev. Dr. Nelson, Mr. Morgan, and Mr. Thomas. [For the report of the Committee see p. 339.]

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar; viz., Message No. 69 of the House of Bishops, relating to the Missionary Jurisdiction of Kyoto. As the subject had been previously disposed of by the House [see p. 318], the Calendar was discharged of the number.

The House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, on motion of Mr. Brown of Rhode Island, it was

Resolved, That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons be and they hereby are instructed to issue their report in print six months before the meeting of the next General Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Lobdell of Western New York, it was

Resolved, That this House place on record its very grateful appreciation of the uniform courtesy, kindness, and hospitality of Churchmen and citizens of Minneapolis to this Convention; and especially, that the thanks of this House be and they are hereby tendered to the Rector, Wardens, Vestrymen, and members of Gethsemane Church and the local Committee, for the very acceptable and pleasant way in which they have provided for the comfort and convenience of the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from the Joint Committee on the Provincial System, presented the following report:

The Joint Committee on the Provincial System begs leave to report progress, and asks to be continued.

In behalf of the Committee,

E. A. HOFFMAN.

On motion, the Committee was continued.

The Rev. Dr. Fair, from the Joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund, presented the following report, and, on motion, the persons named therein were elected Trustees:

The Joint Committee to nominate fifteen Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, has adopted the following nominations: the Bishop of Connecticut; the Bishop of New York; the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D.; the Rev. William S. Langford, D.D.; Mr. Stephen P. Nash; Mr. Wm. Alex. Smith; Mr. Elihu Chauncey; the Bishop of Maine; the

Bishop of Delaware; the Bishop of Southern Ohio; the Rev. Edwin Harwood, D.D.; the Rev. Clinton Locke, D.D.; the Rev. Randolph H. McKim, D.D.; Mr. George C. Thomas, and Mr. Robert Treat Paine.

On behalf of the Committee,

CAMPBELL FAIR.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 339.]

The Rev. Dr. Duncan, from the Commission on Christian Unity, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted :

The Commission on Christian Unity respectfully submits herewith its entire correspondence. [See Appendix XI.]

It has also had under consideration the Memorial from the Diocese of Indiana, praying that your Commission be instructed to issue again circular letters inviting the assembly of a general conference to consider the questions connected with Christian Unity. Said conference to have for the basis of its considerations the Declaration of the House of Bishops of 1886.

Your Commission is of the opinion that the agitation of the questions connected with Christian Unity has done untold good in attracting the thought of the age to the evil and the sin of schism, and in arousing discussion concerning methods to put an end to strife and division amongst men who profess to follow the Prince of Peace, He who hath taught us that the Church is His one Body.

Your Commission does not deem it necessary that it should repeat at this time what has already been done in calling men everywhere to return to the primitive Faith and Order of the Church, as exhibited in the age when there was no visible division, when there was one Faith, and substantial unity in her Polity everywhere.

Your Commission does not deem it necessary to ask for any enlargement of its powers. It thinks it best to content itself with a reassertion of the fact that the existence of this Commission is a continuing declaration that the way is open, and will be kept unimpeded for conference with any and all who seek with us the healing of the wounds of the Body of Christ, and desire brotherly conference with a view to the study of the conditions that will bring peace and unity.

If we have the unique position assigned to us by De Maistre, then our responsibilities and duties are commensurate with our faculties.

Our task is difficult and fraught with perils. But God has made this Church His instrument for moving the mind and heart of Christendom; we believe that, by His Blessed Spirit, this Church may be made His Agency for vitalizing with catholicity, and bringing into organic unity all our fellow-Christians who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity, and are willing to study and to follow His precepts.

Your Commission offers the following resolutions, and asks their adoption :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Christian Unity be continued under its previous instructions, to hold itself ready for conference with any and all similar commissions or committees appointed by Bodies of Christians, seeking the unity of the Church, the basis of such conferences to be the principles enunciated throughout the Declaration of the House of Bishops made at Chicago, in 1886, and as reaffirmed by the Lambeth Conference of 1888.

Resolved, That the Commission on Christian Unity be discharged from the further consideration of the Memorial from the Diocese of Indiana.

A. CLEVELAND COXE.
GEO. D. GILLESPIE.
THOS. F. DAVIES.
CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD.
THOS. F. GAILOR.
HERMAN C. DUNCAN.
CHAUNCEY B. BREWSTER.
ARTHUR LAWRENCE.
EDMUND H. BENNETT.
GEO. C. McWHORTER.
GEO. R. FAIRBANKS.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 333.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Morrison of Albany, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Board of Managers be directed to request, except when reasons satisfactory to the Board can be produced, that every Missionary Jurisdiction shall contribute towards the support of its Bishop in such proportion that the Board of Managers shall be enabled, every three years, to reduce the sum contributed by it towards the salary of such Bishop (by at least the sum of five hundred dollars).

[For the action of the House of Bishops see p. 341.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session.
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 90.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 64, proposing an amendment to Article 5 of the Constitution, with the change of the words "as well as," in the ninth line from the end of the Message, to the words "and in no case without," so that the sentence shall read "and in no case without the consent of the General Convention," this change being desirable, in the judgment of this House, for the removal of all ambiguity.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment communicated in the foregoing message by the following vote :

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Albany, California, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 49.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, Central New York, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Easton, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Long Island, Maryland, Massachusetts, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Vermont, Western New York, — 32.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 91.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Joint Commission on the Hymnal, and has adopted the resolution thereto appended, to wit :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Committee on the Hymnal be continued, with power to correct such errors as may still be discovered in the book, and to bring the Hymns of living authors into conformity with the expressed wishes of their writers.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolutions communicated therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 92.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Commission on Christian Unity, and has adopted the resolutions thereto appended, to wit :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Christian Unity be continued under its previous instructions, to hold itself ready for conference with any and all similar commissions or committees appointed by Bodies of Christians, seeking the unity of the Church, the basis of such conferences to be the principles enunciated throughout the Declaration of the House of Bishops made at Chicago in 1886, and as reaffirmed by the Lambeth Conference of 1888.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Christian Unity be discharged from the further consideration of the Memorial from the Diocese of Indiana.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 93.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has elected, as additional members of the Commission on Christian Unity, the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Chicago,

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 94.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed as members, on the part of this House, of the Committee to certify the changes in the Canons, the Bishop of Iowa and the Bishop of East Carolina.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 95.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has acceded to the request of the House of Deputies for a Committee of Conference in regard to proposed amendments in the Canons of Ordination, contained in its Message No. 81;

And this House appoints as members of said Committee of Conference, on its part, the Bishop of Western Michigan, the Bishop of Montana, and the Bishop of East Carolina.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 338.]

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 96.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has acceded to the request of the House of Deputies for a Committee of Conference in regard to the binding of the Hymnal with the Prayer Book, contained in its Message No. 82;

And this House appoints, as members of said Committee of Conference on its part, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of New York, and the Bishop of Florida.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

[For the report of the Committee see p. 339.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 21.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 87 of the House of Bishops, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in Message No. 87.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

The same gentleman from the same Committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 22.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 88 of the House of Bishops, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 88 and asks for a Committee of Conference.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*.

The President appointed, as members of such Conference Committee, the Rev. Dr. Davenport, Mr. Stiness, and Mr. Stark. [For the report of the Committee see p. 342.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Duncan of Louisiana, it was

Resolved, That the President be requested to appoint two Clergymen and two Laymen as additional members of the Commission on Christian Unity.

In accordance with the above resolution, the President appointed the Rev. Mr. Bennitt of Newark, the Rev. Dr. Harrison of Springfield, Mr. Temple of Vermont, and Mr. Forsyth of Louisiana.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolutions communicated therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 97.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes that portion of the Diocese of Minnesota lying north of the south line of the counties of Big Stone, Stearns, Pope, Stevens, Benton, Mille Lacs, Kanabec, and Pine, a Missionary District to be known as the Missionary District of Duluth.

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested, in accordance with the provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [3], to take charge of said Missionary District until provided with a Bishop of its own.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That consent be given to the House of Bishops to elect, at any time during the recess of the General Convention, a Bishop of this Church to exercise Episcopal functions in the Missionary Jurisdiction of Duluth.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

TUESDAY, October 22, 1895.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Waterman of New Hampshire, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report :

REPORT NO. 11.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Admission of New Dioceses, with respect to Message No. 62 of the House of Bishops on the subject of the erection of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Texas into a Diocese, respectfully reports as follows :

The Committee does not feel called upon to pronounce upon the expediency or in expediency of the change proposed, not having had before it enough information to justify it in forming a judgment. It contents itself with reporting that it sees no constitutional objection whatsoever to the passage of Message No. 62 of the House of Bishops.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,
W. R. HUNTINGTON, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Richards, in behalf of the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, it was

Resolved, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution communicated in their Message No. 62 to this House.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the third resolution communicated therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 98.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes that portion of the Diocese of North Carolina which, by the action of the present General Convention, has been accepted as missionary territory, a Missionary District to be known as the Missionary District of Asheville.

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested, in accordance with the provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [3], to take charge of said Missionary District until provided with a Bishop of its own.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That consent be given to the House of Bishops to elect, at any time during the recess of the General Convention, a Bishop of this Church to exercise Episcopal functions in the Missionary Jurisdiction of Asheville.

Attest : SAMUEL HART, *Secretary.*

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 99.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has receded from its action proposing amendments to Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1], communicated in its Message No. 79, and has concurred with

the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution proposing amendments to the same paragraph contained in Message No. 79 from the House of Deputies.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 100.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Secretaries of the two Houses be instructed to postpone the work of indexing the Journal of the General Convention and the Digest of the Canons till action has been had upon matters committed to the Joint Commission on the revision of the Canons.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 101.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 71, proposing an addition to the second paragraph of Article 5 of the Constitution.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the resolutions communicated therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 102.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Provincial System be continued.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 16th day of the Session,
October 21, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 103.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has postponed the consideration of the subject of Swedish Orders till the next General Convention, and has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Orders of the Church of Sweden be continued.

And the House of Bishops has appointed, as an additional member of said Commission on the part of this House, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion of Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania, in behalf of the Deputation from that Diocese, it was

Resolved, That this House hereby expresses its hearty appreciation of the uniform dignity, courtesy, and impartiality with which the President of the House of Deputies, the Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix, has presided over its deliberations.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee of Conference relating to the proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 7, § v. (b), presented the following report:

The Committee of Conference on the disagreement between the two Houses as to a proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 7, § v. (b), and Title I., Canon 10, § i. (a), respectfully report that, in their judgment, owing to the lateness of the time, it would be unadvisable to attempt to secure further consideration of the subject. They therefore offer the following:

Resolved, That the subject be referred to the Joint Commission on Revision of the Canons.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. D. GILLESPIE,

Chairman of Committee on part of Bishops.

F. P. DAVENPORT,

Chairman of Committee on part of House of Deputies.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Davenport, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, be amended by the addition of the following as § xvii.:

§ xvii. This Canon shall take effect immediately.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see below.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 104.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the amendments to Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1], adopted by concurrent action of the two Houses, take effect at the time of its passage.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 105.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has acceded to the request of the House of Deputies communicated to this House in its Message No. 90 asking for a Committee of Conference in regard to proposed amendments of Title III., Canon 19, § xiv. [2];

And it has appointed, as members of said Committee on the part of this House, the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of East Carolina, and the Bishop of Kentucky.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 106.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 92, electing Trustees of the General Clergy Relief Fund.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson, from the Committee of Conference on the disagreement of the two Houses on the subject of binding the Hymnal with the Prayer Book, presented the following report:

The Committee of Conference, on the part of the House, on Message No. 73 of the House of Bishops, reports that at a meeting of the Joint Committee it was

Resolved, That it recommend that the House of Bishops recede from its action with regard to the binding of the Hymnal with the Book of Common Prayer.

H. W. NELSON, JR.
J. P. MORGAN.
GEO. C. THOMAS.

[For action of the House of Bishops see below.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Carey of Albany, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Secretary and his assistants for their efficiency and uniform courtesy to its members, and the facilities which they have afforded them for the work of the Convention.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 107.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Committee of Conference, and has receded from its former action and adopted the resolution of the House of Deputies contained in its Message No. 73, rescinding the resolution which forbids binding the Hymnal with the Prayer Book.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Deputies be given to the sexton and his assistant of Gethsemane parish for their efforts in behalf of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Schouler of Easton, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be extended to the organist of Gethsemane Church for his valued assistance at the daily Services of the Convention.

Mr. Ringwalt of Nebraska offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Expenses :

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be rendered to the pages of this House, and that appropriate medals be struck off and presented to them.

Mr. Sowdon, from the Committee on Expenses, presented the following report on the foregoing resolution :

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on Expenses, to whom was referred the resolution of the Deputy from Nebraska, begs leave to report that there are no funds in the treasury for the purpose indicated, but they suggest that members who are so disposed contribute something to the Secretary of the House to be divided among these deserving young lads.

A. J. C. SOWDON, *Chairman*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, was referred to the Special Committee of this House on Messages of the House of Bishops relating to Revision of the Constitution :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 108.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has, the House of Deputies concurring, finally agreed to and ratified the following amendment to the Constitution, proposed in the last General Convention and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions :

Amend Article 8, so that it shall read as follows :

ARTICLE 8.

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer or other Offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be first proposed in one General Convention, by the vote of a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by the vote of a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, and by a resolve of the General Convention made

known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention in the same manner in which it was proposed; *Provided*, however, that the General Convention shall have power from time to time to amend the Lectionary; but no act for this purpose shall be valid, which is not voted for by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 109.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 85, for the reason that, while affirming its approbation of the principles communicated in the Message, it desires a modification and restatement of the proposed action;

And the House of Bishops asks for a Committee of Conference, and appoints, as members of said Committee on its part, the Bishop of Colorado and the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion, the House granted a Committee of Conference, and the President appointed, as members thereof, the Rev. Dr. Morrison and Mr. Saunders. [For the report of the Committee see p. 342.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 110.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to inform the House of Deputies that this House has completed its business, and now awaits any further communications from the House of Deputies, pending which, unless otherwise requested by the House of Deputies for the purpose of making further communications, this House will at noon take a recess until three o'clock this afternoon, when it will assemble with the House of Deputies to hear the Pastoral Letter and for the concluding devotions of the Convention.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

Mr. Fairbanks of Florida offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That all items of unfinished business reported by the Committee on Unfinished Business at each session of the Convention be placed on the Calendar, when reported.

Resolved, That all matters pending in this House at the time of final adjournment thereof that shall remain undisposed of are hereby referred to the next General Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee of Conference relating to Message No. 88 from the House of Bishops presented the following report, the resolution appended to which, was, on motion, adopted :

The Committee of Conference upon the disagreement of the two Houses, as to the amendments proposed in Message No. 88 of the House of Bishops, recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 2, § iii., be amended so as to read as follows :

“ When there is no Bishop, or when it is certified in writing by at least two reputable physicians, who shall have examined the case, that the Bishop is incapable of authorizing the Standing Committee to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority, and upon the advice of four Bishops of this Church, whose Dioceses or Missionary Districts are nearest to his own, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority for all purposes declared in these Canons, and shall retain such authority until such time as by like certificate the Bishop shall be declared competent to perform his official duties.”

DANL. S. TUTTLE,
Chairman on part of House of Bishops.
FREDERICK P. DAVENPORT,
Chairman on part of House of Deputies.

[For the action of the House of Bishops see below.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
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October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 111.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Committee of Conference on non-concurrent action of the Houses in regard to amendments to the Canon providing for the case of the inability of a Bishop to act, and has not adopted the resolution contained in the report of said Committee.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary.*

The Rev. Dr. Morrison, from the Committee of Conference on non-concurrent action of the Houses, on the resolution contained in Message No. 85 from this House, presented the following report :

The Committee of Conference, on the disagreement of the two Houses on the resolution contained in Message No. 85 from this House, have agreed upon and recommend to both Houses the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Board of Managers be directed to request, except when reasons satisfactory to the Board can be produced, that every Missionary Jurisdiction shall contribute towards the support of its Bishop in such proportion that the Board of Managers shall be enabled, every three years, to reduce the sum contributed by it towards the salary of such Bishop.

In behalf of the Committee,

J. D. MORRISON.

On motion, the resolution reported by the Committee was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Duncan of Louisiana, it was

Resolved, That the proposed amendment of the Canon on Disability of Bishops be referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 112.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Committee of Conference on non-concurrent action of the Houses on the resolution contained in Message No. 85 from the House of Deputies, with reference to the salaries of Missionary Bishops, and has adopted the resolution of amendment to the Canon contained in said report.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 113.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the matter of providing such measures as may be necessary for providing Episcopal services in case of disability on the part of Bishops, be referred for consideration and report, to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 114.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 102, for the reason that it has referred the whole matter to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 115.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has accepted the resignation of the Bishop of Connecticut as a member of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, and has elected the Bishop of Chicago to be a member of the said Joint Commission.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 116.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 98, adding § xvii. to Title I., Canon 19.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
MINNEAPOLIS, 17th day of the Session,
October 22, 1895.

MESSAGE NO. 117.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has completed its business and is about to take a recess until three o'clock.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, a committee of two was appointed by the President to wait upon the House of Bishops and inform that House that the House of Deputies had concluded its business and was ready to adjourn.

The Minutes of this day's session were read and approved.

On motion, the House took a recess till three o'clock, to meet at that hour with the House of Bishops to hear the Pastoral Letter [see p. 374], and then to stand adjourned *sine die*.

The House met with the House of Bishops. After prayers said by the Rev. Dr. Dix, President of the House of Deputies, the Pastoral Letter was read by the Bishop of Long Island. Concluding prayers were read by the Bishop of Albany, and the Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Minnesota.

MORGAN DIX, *President*.

Attest:

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, *Secretary*.

THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

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THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

FIRST DAY.

FRIDAY, October 4, 1895.

THE Board of Missions met in Gethsemane Church, Minneapolis, at 11 A. M., the Bishop of Minnesota, presiding in the House of Bishops, in the chair, assisted by the President of the House of Deputies; the Secretary being the Secretary of the said House, assisted by the Secretaries of the Board of Managers.

After the singing of a hymn and prayers, the Bishop of New Jersey, from the Committee appointed to report an Order of Business, presented the following, which, on motion, was adopted:

I. The Senior Bishop present shall preside, assisted by the President of the House of Deputies.

II. The Secretary of the House of Deputies shall be Secretary of the Board, assisted by the Secretaries of the Board of Managers.

III. The hours of the sessions shall be the same as those of the House of Deputies, providing for an intermission for luncheon from one o'clock to three o'clock P. M.

IV. Presentation and reading of the report of the Board of Managers.

V. Reference of reports to Committees:

Report of Board of Managers.

Report of Woman's Auxiliary.

Report of Commission on work among Coloured People.

Report of Church Building Fund.

Report of American Church Missionary Society, and other Auxiliaries.

VI. Presentation of representatives of the Scope of the Church's Missions.

VII. Resolutions and Miscellaneous Business.

VIII. By adjournment, Reports of Special Committees, and Miscellaneous Business.

The Committee recommend that introductions be limited to five minutes each, and that representatives of the work be limited to ten minutes each, it being presumed that they will have other opportunities of being heard.

The Committee recommend that none but members be admitted to the seats of Deputies, or the rights of the floor.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Alsop of Long Island, it was

Resolved, That the Rules of Order of the House of Bishops, so far as they relate to discussion and procedure, shall be the rules of this body.

The Rev. Dr. Langford, General Secretary of the Board of Managers, presented the Triennial Report, together with accompanying documents.

[For the report see Appendix II. — 1.]

The Triennial Report was read by the Rev. Joshua Kimber, Associate Secretary of the Board of Managers.

The Rev. Dr. Anstice, in behalf of the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, presented the following communication :

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., October 4, 1895.

The Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions takes great pleasure in entrusting to the care of the Board its united offering of 1895, made at the Triennial Service of the Auxiliary, held in Christ Church, St. Paul, on Thursday, October 3.

The offering amounts to \$54,000, and has been made in accordance with a resolution adopted in Baltimore on October 6, 1892, to the effect :

"That the Woman's Auxiliary places before itself, for its united offering at the next Triennial, the Endowment of the Episcopate in a Missionary Jurisdiction, subject to the approval of the Board of Missions."

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Missions records its deep sense of the self-denial work of the women of the Church, and its gratitude to Almighty God for the wonderful united Offering to Missions made at the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary held yesterday.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Blanchard of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Missions desires to place on record here its devout thankfulness to Almighty God for the payment in full of the large indebtedness which threatened to so seriously obstruct the Missionary work of the Church. The Board also wishes to express its grateful recognition of the generosity of those who have so nobly responded to the call of the Church in a great emergency.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hodges of Maryland, Md., it was

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Managers with accompanying documents, except those otherwise referred, be referred to a Committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen for consideration and report to this Board.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Bishops of Kentucky, California, and Kansas, the Rev. Dr. Hodges of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Fiske of Rhode Island, the Rev. Dr. Jones of Central Pennsylvania, Mr. Moss of Central New York, Mr. Parke of Michigan, and Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee. [See p. 365.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Roberts of New Hampshire, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Woman's Auxiliary be referred to a Special Committee of one Bishop, two Presbyters, and two Laymen for consideration and report to this Board.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Roberts of New Hampshire, the Rev. Mr. Dodge of Georgia, Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Carpenter of New Jersey. [See p. 355.]

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Brewster of Long Island, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Church Building Fund Commission be referred to a Committee of one Bishop, two Presbyters, and two Laymen for consideration and report to this Board.

[For the report of the Commission see Appendix III.]

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Bishop of West Missouri, the Rev. Mr. Brewster of Long Island, the Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota, Mr. Pierrepont of Long Island, and Mr. Eaton of Michigan. [See p. 354.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Fulton of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Commission on Work among Coloured People be referred to a Committee of one Bishop, two Presbyters, and two Laymen for consideration and report to this Board.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Assistant Bishop of Tennessee, the Rev. Dr. Fulton of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Parks of Massachusetts, Mr. Stettinius of Southern Ohio, and Mr. McBee of North Carolina. [See p. 359.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Perkins of Kentucky, it was

Resolved, That the report of the American Church Missionary Society, and of the Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews, be referred to a Committee of one Bishop, two Presbyters, and two Laymen for consideration and report to this Board.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Dr. Perkins of Kentucky, the Rev. Mr. Spalding of California, Mr. Goodwin of Connecticut, and Mr. Lyman of Chicago. [See p. 361.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented to the Board the Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas, who addressed the Board upon the work in the field committed to his care.

The noon hour having arrived the Board united in prayers offered by the Bishop presiding.

The Bishop of New Jersey presented to the Board the Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, who addressed the Board on the Church's work in China.

The Bishop of Milwaukee presented the Missionary Bishop of Tokyo, who addressed the Board on the Church's work in Japan.

The Bishop of Georgia addressed the Board upon the Church's work among the coloured people of the South.

The Bishop of California presented to the Board the Missionary Bishop of Oklahoma, who addressed the Board on the Church's work among the Indians.

The Board took a recess until 3 P.M.

On reassembling, the Church's work in Alaska was presented by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, and the Missionary Bishop of Olympia.

The Bishop of West Virginia addressed the Board on the Church's work in Brazil.

The Bishop of Chicago presented the Rev. Henry Forrester in charge of the Church's work in Mexico, who addressed the Board on that work.

The Bishop of Oregon presented the Bishop of Indiana, who addressed the Board on the Church's work in organized Dioceses.

On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky the following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That on this, the first assembling of the Board of Missions since the recent massacre of the Armenian Christians, the Board would place upon record its sense of horror at the atrocities which have been perpetrated upon the Armenians, and its sympathy with all those who have suffered for the truth's sake, as well as its admiration for the courage and steadfastness which they have manifested in the midst of their unspeakable trials.

Resolved, That this Board of Missions hereby adds its earnest petition to the many appeals which have been made to the Christian nations to exercise their full power to protect the helpless Armenians, and to secure redress as far as it may be possible for those who have suffered.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That the Board of Missions has learned with deep sorrow of the outbreaks of violence in China by which mission property has been destroyed, the safety of missionaries threatened, and in some instances lives of missionaries sacrificed, and women and children horribly treated.

Resolved, That this Board conveys to our own missionaries in China, and through them to all who are labouring in the Gospel of Christ in the midst of perils, the assurance of our prayerful sympathy and solicitude for their welfare.

Resolved, That this Board expresses to the Church Missionary Society of England and to the Church of England, Zenana Missionary Society, whose missionaries were slain and wounded in the late massacre of Kucheng, its deep sympathy in their sorrow and loss, and that we earnestly call upon the United States Government to extend its strong arm of protection over the citizens of our country residing in that unhappy country, and secure them in their treaty rights.

On motion of the Bishop of Springfield, it was

Resolved, That it is the deliberate judgment of this Board that neither difficulties nor opposition nor persecution should discourage the Church or deter it in its divine mission to press forward with the everlasting Gospel of peace and good will, teaching the infinite love of God in giving His only begotten Son to be the Saviour of all men.

On motion of the Assistant Bishop of Minnesota, the following preamble and resolution were adopted :

WHEREAS, during the summer just past the attention of the country has been directed to the so-called uprising of the Bannock Indians in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, impartial, unofficial investigation has shown that these Indians were the innocent victims of aggressive outrages on the part of the Whites, resulting in the slaughter of helpless victims; therefore,

Resolved, That this General Convention Board of Missions assembled respectfully calls upon the United States Government fearlessly to investigate these outrages, and see that justice be meted out.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, special consideration of the work in Alaska was made the Order of the Day at the next meeting of the Board of Missions. [See below.]

The Rev. Dr. Lawrence of Massachusetts presented and read the report of the Prayer Book Distribution Society [see Appendix VI.], which report was, on motion, referred to a Special Committee consisting of the Bishop of Delaware, the Rev. Dr. Mann of West Missouri, and Mr. Schenck of Long Island. [See p. 352.]

On motion, the Board adjourned, to meet on Thursday, October 10, at 8 P. M.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, October 10, 1895.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Albany in the chair.

After singing and prayer, the Minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Board of Missions requests the House of Bishops to elect a Bishop for the Missionary District of Alaska.

Pending discussion of the resolution [see p. 352], the Board adjourned to meet on Friday evening, October 11, at eight o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, October 11, 1895.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Albany in the chair.

After singing and prayer, the Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The resolution presented by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, which was under discussion when the Board adjourned, was taken up and fully considered, and finally adopted as follows :

Resolved, That the Board of Missions requests the House of Bishops to elect a Bishop for the Missionary District of Alaska.

The Bishop of Delaware, in behalf of the Bishop of Chicago, presented the following resolution, which, on his motion, was adopted :

Resolved, That the Board of Missions commends the work of the Mexican Episcopal Church, under the provisional Episcopal care of the Presiding Bishop, and recommends to the Board of Managers the continuation of the appointment of the Rev. Henry Forrester, whose wise and manifold labours have the hearty commendation of this Board, to act as counsellor and guide of our brethren in Mexico in their missionary, educational, and charitable work, it being understood with respect to the support of this work that the Board shall aid those who are endeavouring with commendable zeal to provide such support only to the extent of special contributions received for that purpose.

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Committee on the report of the Prayer Book Distribution Society, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was adopted :

The Committee to whom was referred the first Triennial Report of the Prayer Book Distribution Society would express the interest with which they have considered this admirable document.

It is our present purpose chiefly to emphasize what appear to us to be the salient and most important points thus brought to our attention.

It is desirable to bear in mind that the object of the Society is not of itself to distribute the Prayer Book, but, rather, to promote the distribution by others of this precious volume. The Society has no funds for this purpose, and can only accomplish the work entrusted to it by the aid of kindred societies and of individuals, whence the necessary financial means may be secured.

We gratefully recognize the fact that such societies are already, in some instances have been for many years, in existence, and that not a few laymen have from time to time contributed generously to this work. We earnestly hope that their benefactions and labours may be continued upon even a wider basis than may have hitherto been deemed expedient.

We further trust that the number of societies auxiliary to the Prayer Book Society, some of which have been already organized, may in the near future be largely increased. In this event we feel that the objects of the Society will be greatly advanced. We therefore beg, with all due respect, to call the attention of the several Dioceses to the desirability of forming such auxiliary associations.

Your Committee would especially commend the project, entered upon already to some extent, of distributing Prayer Books among our seamen in the various ports of our widely extended country, as also among our almost innumerable hotels. Many instances could be mentioned of the immediate and permanent benefits resulting from what has thus far been done in this direction, and it needs but an extension of such efforts to produce a corresponding increase of the most beneficent results.

Neither should our soldiers be overlooked. During the late Civil War, the Prayer Book became the constant and helpful companion of many who, up to that period, had known but little of its worth. Many new friends might be gained for it in times of peace, and we hope that our military brethren may not be forgotten in the operations of this Society.

The Society, with pardonable satisfaction, reminds the Church that, chiefly through its agency, the price of the cheaper editions of the Prayer Book was reduced to fifteen cents. This was and is a great aid in promoting its circulation, and we are very thankful for what has thus been accomplished. We hope, however, to see even greater reduction in its price. Why should we not have a Dime Prayer Book? We have dime magazines and dime novels. What could better counteract the baneful influences that emanate from many of these sources than the Dime Prayer Book? Your Committee believe that the suggestion is a practicable one, and that if carried out it would result in a vastly increased circulation of a volume that we wish eventually to see in the hands of every American — man, woman, and child.

This is not the time nor the place to enter upon a treatise concerning the value of our great treasure. It is too well known and generally recognized to require anything more of us now than an earnest appeal in behalf of any and every proper effort to promote its distribution, well persuaded of the power for good belonging to such an agency in promoting Church Doctrine and Bible Truth.

Your Committee would offer and ask the adoption of the following resolution, viz. :

Resolved, That the Board of Missions heartily commends the work of the Prayer Book Distribution Society, and wishes that it may be afforded the necessary means for the wider extension of its operations.

LEIGHTON COLEMAN.

CAMERON MANN.

N. PENDLETON SCHENCK.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet on Saturday, October 12, at 8.30 P. M.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, October 12, 1895.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Albany in the chair.

After singing and prayer, the Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Bishop of West Missouri presented the following report from the Committee to whom had been referred the report of the American Church Building Fund Commission, the resolution appended to which was adopted :

The Committee to whom the report of the American Church Building Fund Commission was referred, respectfully report :

That they have examined said report and rejoice at the good works of the Commission, and at its constantly increasing usefulness as its means have been enlarged.

That they deplore the lack of interest that has prevented the completion of the million dollar fund.

That they offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Board of Missions renew, with emphasis, the recommendation that an annual offering be made in every parish for the permanent fund of the American Church Building Fund Commission.

EDWARD R. ATWILL.

CHAUNCEY B. BREWSTER.

J. J. FAUDE.

THEO. H. EATON.

HENRY E. PIERREPONT, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Springfield, it was

Resolved, That the mission to the negroes in Cairo, Ill., Diocese of Springfield, be placed under the care of the Commission for Work among Coloured People as having been practically within the limits of slave territory before the war of 1861.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of New Jersey, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society be authorized and requested to use the interest accruing from the "Missionary Enrolment Fund," in the same manner and for the same purposes as during the past three years, and until further instructed by the Board of Missions.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, the following resolution was, by a rising vote, unanimously adopted at this first meeting after the excursion to Faribault :

Resolved, That the Bishops and the Clerical and Lay Deputies constituting the Board of Missions, and also the representatives of the Woman's Auxiliary, hereby express and put on record their profound appreciation of the great work for Christ and His Church which has been established at Faribault, and which, by the courtesy of the Bishop and Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, they have this day had the opportunity of inspecting.

We extend our thanks to Mr. Roswell Miller, President of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R., to whose generous thoughtfulness we are indebted for the excursion, and to the Mayor and citizens of Faribault for their careful and ample arrangements for our reception and hospitable entertainment. In admiring the magnificent buildings of the institutions dedicated to Christian learning, Seabury Divinity School. St. Mary's Hall, and Shattuck School and the Cathedral at Faribault, we recognize that we have been permitted this day to behold the monumen-

tal work of an Episcopate which has been singularly fruitful and will be singularly honoured in the annals of the American Church; and we praise God for the abundant blessing with which He has answered the prayers and crowned the toil of the beloved and revered Bishop of Minnesota.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Central Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That we record our grateful appreciation of the fact that, since the last General Convention, the Children of the Church have given to the Board of Missions more than two hundred thousand dollars.

Resolved, That we send our affectionate greeting to these loyal Children, and that we recognize in their devotion to the Church's Missionary Work one of the most hopeful promises of her future growth and prosperity.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Lines of Connecticut, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Missions has heard with great satisfaction that the Board of Managers has taken into consideration the subject of the improvement of the missionary magazine, "The Spirit of Missions," and earnestly requests that the Board continue the effort to make the magazine in larger measure a means of giving information concerning missionary work.

On motion of the Bishop of Shanghai, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Missions expresses its great need of additional workers in our foreign missionary field, and calls upon the young men of the Church to offer themselves for that work.

On motion, the Board adjourned, to meet on Thursday evening next at eight o'clock.

FIFTH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 17, 1895.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Albany in the chair.

After singing and prayer, the Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on the Report of the Woman's Auxiliary, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted :

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

To do justice to the reports of Mrs. Twing, the Honorary Secretary, and Miss Emery, the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, it would be necessary to quote them entire, and we would begin our report by commending these instructive and inspiring papers to the careful reading of every member of the Board of Missions. No one can read these reports

without being impressed not only with a deeper sense of the efficiency of the Woman's Auxiliary in carrying on the Missionary work of the Church, but still more of its expansive energy in reaching out to supply every need, and to bring into exercise hitherto latent and undeveloped capacities for every kind of ministry and service. It is much that the Auxiliary and the Junior Department have raised in money, and boxes for missionaries, over one million dollars, during the past three years, but it is still more that the Auxiliary has been and is an enkindling element in the life of the Church, awakening interest beyond its membership, cheering by its sympathy Christian men and women in foreign lands, and setting agencies in operation for the uplifting of womanhood, for the recognition of the Saviour's grace and power, and for the advancement of His Kingdom.

Considering how much has been accomplished by the Woman's Auxiliary, and how much more might be realized if *all* the women of the Church were actively identified with it, we would emphasize the opinion expressed by the Secretary, in her report, that the personal influence of the Bishop is a prime factor in the progress of the Auxiliary towards realizing its lofty ideal. "If the Bishop is interested in woman's work for Missions, if he gives it his personal attention, urging it upon his parochial Clergy, attending Auxiliary Meetings, and throwing the weight of his influence and sympathy into the efforts made, a most important step is gained." The Clergy will follow in such a cause as this, where the Bishop leads, and the Auxiliary will be increased and strengthened in every parish and Diocese where such encouragement is given to it.

There are other agencies which the Secretary suggests for stimulating the women of the Church to a livelier interest in the work of the Auxiliary, among which are mentioned, personal visits by the General and Diocesan Officers; the circulation of the publications of the Junior Auxiliary Publishing Company, and the establishment of the Half-Hour Reading Club, which now has members in twenty-six Dioceses.

All these we cordially commend, but especially the reminder, that without the inspiring presence and power of the Holy Spirit, all these instrumentalities will fail to bring forth the ends we seek. The Auxiliary will be fruitful in all good works, just in the degree in which the spiritual life is deep and strong in every one of its members. And the nourishment of that life is prayer. The humblest member of the Auxiliary, whether she be a poor negro woman in Africa, or one of an Indian tribe in Dakota, may, by continually asking in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, be continually strengthened in her own spiritual life, and, by the beauty of her example, lead others to work for the Master for whose service the Woman's Auxiliary exists.

THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

It is now six years since the Junior Department of the Woman's Auxiliary was established, and its increase during this time, and the good results which have followed, justify its creation and the relation which it sustains to the Auxiliary, and we believe that its most healthful progress will be promoted by continuing its present relationship to the Woman's Auxiliary, from whose officers and members it receives leadership and sympathy in all its efforts.

In 1892 there were nine regularly organized diocesan branches; now there are twenty-nine, and fifty-five Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions last year reported work done by parochial Junior Departments.

The form of organization varies. In some Dioceses many of the Sunday Schools have been organized as a whole into a branch of the Junior Auxiliary, each class becoming a Chapter of the Branch, with the

teacher as the head. This method has worked well, and is very successful in awakening interest in Missions throughout the School.

In the opinion of your Committee the Junior Auxiliary is a most valuable agency for implanting and developing an interest in Missions in the minds of the young, and we cordially recommend its organization in every congregation.

THE REPORT OF THE HONORARY SECRETARY.

The Honorary Secretary in her report calls attention to the fact that one of the five aims of the Woman's Auxiliary, set forth at its organization twenty-four years ago, was the Education of Missionaries, and illustrates the manner in which this aim has been promoted through the passage of the Canon of Deaconesses in 1889. Her year's journey around the world was especially in the interest of the better education and training of Missionaries, and she records the spread of the Deaconess idea of Christian Service, not only in many Dioceses at home, but also in China and Japan.

Her connection with the New York Training School for Deaconesses, as one of its Faculty, and her intimate knowledge of the methods pursued in the Church Training and Deaconess House in Philadelphia qualified her to bear testimony to the value of such training, and her observation of workers in the Mission field impressed her with a sense of the importance of similar training as a qualification for Mission work. Her own convictions are shared by those who are most conversant with the demands made upon women who are rendering Missionary service at home or abroad, and it is now generally recognized that for the efficient doing of the Church's work, there must be well-trained lay workers, men and women who are willing to give themselves up to a personal ministry which, to a large degree, is separated from the ordinary pursuits of life.

The Woman's Auxiliary, we rejoice to record, has grasped this idea, and has embodied it in a Preamble and Resolution, adopted at a meeting of Diocesan Officers, held in Minneapolis, Monday, October 7:

"WHEREAS, It is the opinion of the Officers of the Woman's Auxiliary that at least six months' training in one of our Church Training Schools is needful for all candidates for work in the Missionary Field; therefore,

Resolved, That they respectfully request the Board of Missions to rule that, in future, all women receiving appointment under the Board shall be required to have at least six months' training in one of the Training Schools, or some kindred institution, unless the Board, or the Bishop to whose Jurisdiction she is to be sent, has *personal* knowledge of her fitness.

But the Woman's Auxiliary has not limited its interest in this subject to an expression of its sense of the importance of the careful training for their work of the women who are to be sent as Missionaries. With their accustomed largeness of heart they propose to provide means for giving such training, and when it shall have been received, to follow the workers with provision for their support.

The Auxiliary at this Triennial meeting, after having laid upon the Altar fifty-five thousand dollars, their united offering for the support of a Missionary Bishop, further,

Resolved, That the Woman's Auxiliary set before itself as its object, for the next three years, the raising of a still larger sum than that of 1895 as an offering to be a gift from the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, to be used for the training and support of women workers in the Missionary Fields.

The deep significance of this resolution is better understood when we recall that it is intended that the United Offering shall be added to, and in no way interfere with, the usual objects of interest to the Auxiliary.

In this view it is manifest how strong a hold the importance of the education of Missionaries has taken upon the hearts and minds of the women of the Church, and we thank God that it has.

There are many other points in the report of the Honorary Secretary to which we should be glad to call attention, but this report should be brief.

We cannot, however, refrain from expressing our appreciation of the value of the supplement to her report which contains a concise history of the first fifty years of woman's auxiliary Missionary work, from 1820 to 1870.

This history, the materials for which have been gathered with painstaking care from many sources, opens to every reader a clear view of the progress of woman's work in the Church, and of the relation which it has sustained to the Board of Missions from the time when the Board was organized.

We are glad to know that the history is to be brought down to the present time, and that when completed it will be published in the Hand Book of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Commending these admirable reports to the approval of the Board, your Committee recommends the adoption of the following specific resolutions:

Resolved, That all women hereafter receiving appointment under the Board of Missions shall be required to have at least six months' training in one of our Church Training Schools, or some kindred institution, unless the Board of Managers, or the Bishop to whose Jurisdiction she is to be sent, has personal knowledge of her fitness.

Resolved, That in view of the importance and success of the Honorary Secretary in organizing and aiding women's work, her appointment is hereby renewed.

Resolved, That the Board of Managers be recommended to make suitable provision for the travelling and other expenses of the Honorary Secretary.

Resolved, That the modes of administration and of operation which have distinguished the Woman's Auxiliary, and have proved so effective in the past, will, in the opinion of this Board, prove satisfactory in the future.

Resolved, That the Board of Managers is hereby requested to appoint the four Advisory Committees recommended by this Board at the Triennial meeting in Baltimore in 1892, and that the names suggested at the adjourned officers' conference in Minneapolis, Monday, October 7, 1895, be sent to the Board of Managers for its favourable consideration. The nominees are:

Systematic Offerings: Mrs. Clarke, New Jersey; Mrs. Neely, Maine; Mrs. Ames, Rhode Island; Mrs. Neilson, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Sioussat, Maryland; Miss Adams, Michigan; Mrs. Truslow, Newark; Mrs. Mills-paugh, Kansas; Mrs. Parkhill, Southern Florida.

Missionary Publications: Mrs. Girand, Connecticut; Mrs. Tuttle, Missouri; Mrs. Boalt, Ohio; Miss Hart, Western New York; Mrs. Worthington, Nebraska; Mrs. Baxter, Minnesota; Miss Laight, New York; Miss Maynard, Olympia; Mrs. Merrill, Albany.

Missionary Workers: Miss Loring, Massachusetts; Miss Cornelia Jay, New York; Mrs. Lawver, California; Mrs. Cox, Long Island; Miss Stuart, Virginia; Mrs. Whitaker, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Boulton, New York; Mrs. Lyman, Chicago; Mrs. J. J. Lloyd, Southern Virginia.

Junior Auxiliary: Mrs. Rochester, Southern Ohio; Miss Jarvis, Con-

necticut; Miss Stahl, Chicago; Miss Watson, Central New York; Miss Phillips, Pittsburgh; Mrs. Hooker, Montana; Miss Horner, North Carolina; Miss Gilman, Minnesota; Miss M. B. Peabody, South Dakota.

Resolved: That this Committee be discharged.

O. W. WHITAKER.
DANL. C. ROBERTS.
A. G. P. DODGE, JR.
GEO. C. THOMAS.
JOHN N. CARPENDER.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, from the Committee on the Report of the Commission on Work among Coloured People, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which, somewhat amended, being considered *seriatim*, were adopted, with the exception of Resolution 4, which was laid on the table:

The Committee to whom was referred the consideration and condition and needs of work among the coloured people begs respectfully to report:

That it has had before it the Report of the Commission for Work among the Coloured People, a letter written by the Secretary of the Commission, a memorial from the "Eleventh Annual Conference of Christian Workers among Coloured People," and various pamphlets or circulars put forth by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Penick, Agent of the Commission.

Your Committee at the outset begs to say that it is of the opinion that the character of the documents upon which its view of the condition of the work is to be based is not altogether satisfactory. Your Committee sorely feels the need of a more distinct and practical plan of operation, of which it might express its approval or disapproval. The published report of Domestic Missions among white people contains satisfactory and in many cases detailed statements from most of the Bishops receiving missionary aid, but only three of the reports mention coloured work, and from the great majority of Southern Bishops there are no published statements at all. This, in the opinion of the Committee, is most unfortunate, and impairs that complete acquaintance with the work which is most necessary to its effectiveness and success. Your Committee would also, in passing, express its great surprise at the apparent extravagance of maintaining three Theological Schools for coloured candidates for Orders. The facts presented sufficiently show that one such school would more than suffice to accommodate all the students enrolled; and it feels bound also to criticize unfavourably the amount of expenditure reported for the maintenance of a special agent for coloured work.

The most important matter before your Committee has been the consideration of the question whether or not the Special Commission for Work among the Coloured People, which has been in existence since the year 1886, should be continued. It is right to say that this question did not at first suggest itself to the minds of the members of the Committee, but was forced upon their attention by the arguments of some of those who are interested and engaged in the work, and who, the Committee felt, ought to be consulted. It was said that the very existence of the Commission is an injury to the work in two ways; viz., (1) It is made the excuse of some white Churchmen in the South for neglect of the work among coloured people. (2) It teaches the negroes to look for aid to persons outside their own section, and also suggests to them the idea of appealing from their immediate superiors to a power behind them. Moreover, it tends to pauperize the negroes by relieving them of the necessity of giving to the work themselves.

After careful consideration of these arguments, your Committee is of the opinion that they are not arguments against the existence of the Commission as such, but only against certain unnecessary accidents of the present administration that may be remedied by the proper care of the Bishops and other Clergy in the several Dioceses. Your Committee regards the work already done by the Commission as of great importance and value, and believes firmly in the continuance of the Commission, as a perpetual reminder, at least, to our people of the vast responsibility that rests upon this Church for special effort among the coloured people of the South, and as a pledge of the Church's desire to discharge the trust. Your Committee, however, respectfully begs leave to make the following suggestion, viz.:

The Commission does not appear to be at present in its most efficient possible condition. There are too many members of the Commission for effective administration. Fifteen members would accomplish more than twenty-one. At least one representative of the coloured communicants of the Church should be a member of the Commission. The chief work of the Commission should be to raise money for the work and call attention to it. It should not in any way dictate, as we are sure it has not dictated in the past, to the individual Bishops as to the expenditure of the money appropriated to them. It should apportion its gifts to the actual work in operation in the several Dioceses. It should have full discretion as to any general and extra diocesan work it may desire to inaugurate; *e.g.*, the employment of a special agent, the publication of special appeals, the devising of methods for bringing the work to the attention of the Church. The Bishops receiving appropriations should make detailed reports regularly to the Commission as often as it may deem necessary, and the place and time of the meetings of the Commission should be left entirely to its discretion.

In conclusion, your Committee begs to offer the following resolutions, viz.:

Resolved, (1) That this Board of Missions hereby expresses its hearty approval of the work accomplished by the Commission during the past three years, and its grateful appreciation of the earnest and unselfish labours of the members of the Commission.

Resolved, (2) That fifteen Churchmen, five members of each order—Bishops, Clergy, and Laity—be appointed by the Board of Managers to constitute the Commission for Work among the Coloured People for the next three years, with authority to delegate to the Commission such powers as may be needed.

Resolved, (3) That it be recommended to the Board of Managers to consider the feasibility of appointing at least one coloured man, a communicant of the Church, on the Commission.

Resolved, (4) That it be left to the discretion of the Commission to employ a special agent to present the claims of the work to the people of the Church; *Provided*, that the salary of such agent does not exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars per year.

Resolved, (5) That the thanks of the Board of Missions be extended to Mr. Henry E. Pellet for his generous and untiring labours as Secretary of the Commission.

Resolved, (6) That the Commission for Work among the Coloured People be instructed to make to the Board of Missions a full and detailed statement of the condition, needs, and prospects of the work among coloured people in the several dioceses.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. F. GAILOR, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet to-morrow evening at eight o'clock.

SIXTH DAY.

FRIDAY, October 18, 1895.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Albany in the chair.

After singing and prayer, the Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Committee on the Report of the Church Missionary Society was read by the Bishop of West Virginia, as follows :

The Committee appointed upon the American Church Missionary Society begs leave to present the following report :

The American Church Missionary Society became Auxiliary to the General Board of Missions by action taken in the General Convention of 1877. By the terms of that agreement the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions recognized the work of the American Church Missionary Society as part of the General Missionary work of the Church.

The action was born, doubtless, out of a revival of the missionary spirit in this Church. The spirit of unity seems to be an instinct of Christianity in the heart of all Churches in the presence of the mission fields of the world at home and abroad, as the instinct of an army in the presence of the enemy. Rivalries and party spirit progressively vanish away as the Church is drawn into more perfect union with Christ in His passion for the salvation of men, and the conception of our fellowship with Him in His work of saving the world. In the greatness of that thought, other questions assume their true relations and proportions. Perhaps this ultimate ground of missionary duty, and this principle, as the ultimate analysis of missionary success, contain the promise of the potency of unity in the Church itself among its own children and in its own family, and unity between all who profess and call themselves Christians.

The work of the American Church Missionary Society, as the work of the General Board, has its two departments of Domestic and Foreign Missions, and the agreement with the General Board relegates to the Society the exclusive care of the Missionaries at home and abroad, whom it has undertaken to support. In the Domestic Field the Society appropriates stipends in aid of struggling Mission churches in the support of twenty-three clergymen, and of one earnest woman worker in the field of Indian Missions. These Missionaries, we learn from the report of the Executive Committee, September 24, 1895, are working in the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of Arkansas, East Carolina, Idaho, Montana, Indiana, Nevada, New York, Oklahoma, Olympia, South Carolina, South Dakota, South Virginia, Virginia, and West Virginia. In the last mentioned Diocese the Society appropriates stipends to the support of six Missionaries, and of the others, in some, one, and in some, two Missionaries. The report of the Executive Committee, made a month ago, has this passage, which your Committee desires to call the attention of the Board, and of the friends of the work. The report says :

“The impression may prevail that very little beside the income of the Society is necessary for its current expenses and the support of the Domestic work. There stand now on our list twenty-three Clergy and

one teacher, who look to us to supplement their meagre salaries. The amount available from our income, were it all used for our domestic work, and supplemented by even more than we received last year for this object, will not suffice for the stipends of half the number whom we now aid. And what shall the others do for the coming year? Those who, with the Board of Managers of the General Missionary Society, recognize this work as part of the Mission work of the Church, must answer."

The General Board is unable to meet the demands of its great work in the Domestic Field, and the Society feels itself bound by its promises to the faithful Missionaries who have looked to it year by year to help them to stand at their posts of duty. The sorrow that has fallen upon it has, doubtless, like the sorrows that come to each one of us, taught it lessons which it will not forget, and left it with its courage unbroken to meet the duties that are before it. It believes that the offerings for Domestic Missions, heretofore distributed through its agency, would be for the most part lost to the cause of Home Missions if it should abandon its domestic work, and under that conviction it appeals to its friends to enable it at least to fulfil its pledges to faithful ministers of the Church who need all and more than it has promised to give them. Your Committee hopes and believes that this appeal will meet with a prompt and faithful response.

The Foreign Field chosen and assigned to the Society is the Island of Cuba, and the Southern Division of what was once the great empire of Brazil, larger than the whole of the United States. In Cuba the work has been for some months suspended by the civil war. The struggle of the people to throw off the dominion of Spain has been the underlying cause of discord and tendencies to revolution in this Island, for more than a generation past. The long struggle has culminated in the war which is now in progress. The Missionaries of the Society, who were compelled to flee the country during the reign of terror incident to civil wars among a semi-civilized people, are waiting for the dawn of peace to return to their posts in Matanzas and the city of Havana. The Rev. A. H. Mellen, whose work in Havana was making a deep impression, continued at his post after the war had broken out, but was stricken with yellow fever, and upon his partial recovery returned to his home in New York. It is hoped, that after the restoration of peace and, upon his complete recovery, this exceptionally earnest Missionary may return to his work in the city of Havana.

With reference to the work in Brazil, the Society has grounds of encouragement which more than justify the conviction that the Head of the Church points to that field as the work He designs it to do. The report has these words: "Scarce six years since our Missionaries entered the field, and to-day there are nearly two hundred Communicants, with sixty-two baptisms during the last year. More than this, our Churches there contributed a sum equivalent to \$3,281.52, more than one-third of the whole amount (over \$10,000) contributed to the support of Missions through the Society." This fact is without a parallel in the Foreign Missions of our Church, and it is believed it has few parallels in our Domestic Fields, — namely the giving by the people more than one-third of the amount contributed for the support of the Missions among them. Your Committee would call the especial attention of the Board to this statement as a sign of extraordinary promise in this Mission Field of our Church. The Missionaries who have consecrated themselves to this work are young men of ability, and, it is believed, of exceptional adaptation to their work. They tell us that the welcome given by these people to the Light and the Hope of the New Testament Christianity makes the work of the Missionary a joy and takes from it all sense of burden or of sacrifice.

The Rev. J. W. Morris has, with the assistance of a Deacon, the charge of the church in Contracto, and personal charge of one church in Porto Alegre, where a church building nears completion. It seems that these congregations of Christians in Brazil worship in overcrowded halls and rooms inadequate to hold the people. Mr. Morris, as stated in the report, has been granted his well earned furlough, and is now in this country telling the story of the work to our churches. At Porto Alegre the Rev. W. C. Brown, the brother of Alexander Brown, the distinguished author of the *Genesis of America*, cares for one church, and teaches the Candidates for Holy Orders. At Pelotas, the Rev. J. G. Meem has charge of the Church of the Redeemer. The Rev. L. L. Kinsolving has two churches under his charge. The Rev. A. M. Fraga is Deacon in charge at Contracto. At Viamo and at Rio Grande the Rev. A. V. Cabral has charge of hopeful Mission work. It is said that he possesses remarkable gifts of fervour, and that the people crowd to hear him. In addition to these statements of the work Bishop Peterkin of West Virginia has made a brief but most striking representation to the Board of our Church work in Brazil. Bishop Peterkin was charged by the Presiding Bishop to visit the field and supply the need of Episcopal supervision and ministration, and to this work he gave several months of constant visitation, and we presume the record is familiar to the members of this Board.

The selection of this field, and the remarkable success and promise of this Mission suggest to your Committee principles and considerations, in connection with Foreign Missions, which may be helpful to us as a Church in the fulfilment of our Commission to do our part in the Conversion of the world to Christianity. And first, the field selected is the home of the dominant race, or races, in the continent of South America. If the nations of South America are to take their places in the movement of progress in religion, in law, and in liberty, this Southern Province of Brazil, where our Missionaries are planting our Church, is destined to be their leader. Its people have their home in the temperate zone of our Southern Hemisphere, and we are told that their climate resembles that of our Lower, Middle, and Southern States. The temperate zones of the earth from the dawn of history have been the homes of the races that have built up material civilization, and have achieved moral and intellectual domination. The population, with a basis of Portuguese, has an infusion of the blood of different nationalities in Europe and America, which represent the instincts and ideas of government and education, and of social and political organization which they bring with them from their Northern homes. If we win these people for Christ and his Church, they will win their neighbours, the semi-pagan nations whose homes stretch away through the tropics on the north and through the temperate and arctic zones on the south.

There is another consideration which presents an appeal to an intelligent missionary impulse in the heart of the American Church and American Christianity. It is this: in one sense these people are nearer to us in feeling and government than any other Foreign Mission field. They are our children; their aspirations for freedom and for progress are born from the light that we have kindled. In their blind way these South American people have been doing as we once did, struggling to break the yoke of corrupt tyrannies and rotten oligarchies, and to assert their right to think and their right to work and to reap the fruits of their labour. They learned it from us and our wonderful career as a nation. But while our example has kindled their aspirations for political freedom and for self-government, we have left them without that Gospel wherewith Christ makes a man and makes a nation free and keeps them so, and without that they are not fit to be free, for a conscience redeemed and edu-

ated by the Gospel is the only safeguard of popular government. These people have overturned their old imperial absolute forms of government, and imperfectly modelled their political organization after ours. They are ready for Christian effort and they yearn for Christian light from us. For a people like this it is believed that our branch of the universal Church has adaptations which no other form of Church organization possesses. And this is the ground of our belief. An obvious generalization of science tells us that adaptation to environment is necessary for all organisms, and that variations of form to meet new conditions of environment are necessary to the continuity of life.

A mediæval social and political organization has a mediæval ecclesiastical organization, and that organization with its methods and its ideals may have done a good work and lived a vigorous life in its day and generation, but it falsifies its past and its providential destiny by the attempt to engraft itself with its old methods upon a new world. A distinguished English writer remarks, "Where the Roman Church has been most successful in maintaining her ancient ascendancy in her ancient form, she has either annihilated progress, that is, stopped the evolution of a higher order of society, as in Spain, or she has helped to reduce it to a mediæval turbulence as in the South American Republics."

The theory is a true explanation of history. Political thought is, in its ultimate analysis, man's religious conception of himself. As we think in one field of our relations we come to think in other fields.

It is next to impossible to maintain an aristocratic church in a Democratic state; and if it is maintained, it will be done by the aristocracy, and by the aristocracy alone. It will not touch the people. When the people have been trained in religion to relegate their consciences and their ecclesiastical rights to the authority and the will of others, when they have consented to reduce themselves to a position of receptivity in ecclesiastical matters, they are ready to adopt the same principle in the affairs of the state, and submit themselves to a government whose principle is that of political absolutism. On the other hand, when a people have been accustomed to claim their rights and to discharge their duties as responsible factors in the government of the state, it will not be long before they will claim the same privileges in the government of the Church; and what is more, when they open their New Testaments they will find that their claim is justified. For these reasons, we submit that the branch of the Catholic Church, which for generations past has been the representative of Christianity among these South American populations, has lost its hold upon their mind, their consciences, and their governmental forces. The hold of that Church, we are told, is a nominal one. It has practically, at least in this portion of the field, abandoned the effort to redeem the people by the power of the Gospel. They are like the people of the Roman Empire when paganism had worked itself out and delivered the masses over to religious scepticism. So these people, to whom we go with our Gospel, as this Church has received it, are as sheep having no shepherd. We believe that the Episcopal Church, as organized in our great country, has an exceptional adaptation and mission to the people of that land; to all peoples, especially to those who have arrived at that stage of development. It is the Church of the people. The will of the people circulates through all its functions, its authority, its organized machinery. The people have their part in the election of its orders for the Ministry, the Bishops, the Priests, and the Deacons. They have all the duty and all the responsibility of the support of that Ministry by their unfettered will and voluntary sacrifice. That which is its reproach in the minds of many good, wise men in its own and in the ranks of other branches of the Church Catholic is its strength and its glory as a Church of the people. In the region of doctrinal statement

and theological speculation outside of the facts of Christianity, while it maintains with fidelity its doctrinal standards, it welcomes freedom of thought and liberty of discussion, and it is the friend of reverent scholarship, upon the principle that truth has nothing to fear in the contest with error, with an open Bible and a fair field to appeal to the conscience and to the reason of mankind. On the other hand, it is a Church of law, and in our judgment the strongest influence in Christendom towards the formation of public sentiment, by training its own children into reverence for and obedience to the law of the State and the law of the Church whatever the form of Church organization may be. Such a Church, in its adaptation to modern life and modern conceptions of government, has a mission to all peoples of all lands, but an especial responsibility to the South American Republics. And the sense of this responsibility is quickened by the consideration that this Church is the first to enter this open door of opportunity, and that it is there alone, with a wide field before it, which promises blessed results for the establishment of Christ's kingdom and for the regeneration of a nation.

The Society has secured for its Secretary the Rev. J. Thompson Cole, who brings to the work both the ability and the experience to do it, and a love for missions and faith in missionary effort.

The Society asks for the prayers and the sympathy of this great Board of Missions of which it is an arm and an auxiliary, and your Committee believes that they will freely be given.

Respectfully submitted.

A. M. RANDOLPH.

E. T. PERKINS.

E. B. SPALDING.

JAMES J. GOODWIN.

DAVID B. LYMAN.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Langford, it was

Resolved, That a committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen be appointed for the purpose of promoting and giving effectiveness to the recommendations of the General Convention, in raising means for the support of disabled Clergymen, and for the care of the families of such Clergymen as have died in the service of the Church.

The Chair appointed the following as members of the Committee: the Bishops of New York, Newark, and Vermont; the Rev. Drs. Nelson of Western New York, McVickar of Pennsylvania, and Christian of Newark; and Messrs. Morgan of New York, Butler of Central Pennsylvania, and Temple of Vermont.

The Bishop of Kentucky presented and read the following report of the Committee on the Report of the Board of Managers, and the resolutions recommended by the Committee, being considered *seriatim*, were adopted, after which, in accordance with the third resolution, the Bishop of Albany led the Board in devotions of thanksgiving and praise:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Board of Managers to the Board of Missions, together with the annual reports of the same Board to the Missionary Council of the years 1893 and 1894, and the annual reports upon Foreign and Domestic Missions, the annual

report of the Treasurer, of the several Missionary Bishops, and of recognized Auxiliaries, respectfully present the following report:

We would first of all call upon the Board of Missions devoutly to recognize the good Providence of God in the most encouraging results of the missionary work during the three years just ended, and in the present financial condition of the Society. These results are abundantly set forth in the printed documents which have been furnished to the Board of Missions by its Board of Managers. We feel that we need not rehearse in your hearing the statistics which declare them; and alas! we cannot portray the spiritual progress which is manifested in the ringing tones of our missionary leaders as they recount what "God hath done by them," and call upon the Church for larger offerings of men and of money that the good work may not be stayed. But we must call attention to certain features of our present condition, to certain attainments of the past triennium, that together we may thank God and take courage.

(1) For seventy years the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society had no permanent abiding place, but was a tenant of not over-commodious quarters for its officers, and dependent upon the courtesy of the great American Bible Society for a hall in which its managers should meet. Worse still, during the same period, there was no visible declaration in our great metropolis that the Church is first and chief a missionary society, whereof every baptized person is a member. Thanks to God's goodness, thanks to the liberality of beneficent Churchmen and Churchwomen, thanks largely to the faithfulness, the diligence, the persistency of our most excellent General Secretary, this state of things no longer exists. On the first day of January, 1894, the officers of the Society took possession of their new and beautiful home, and on S. Paul's Day, the day of the great Missionary, the house was solemnly dedicated to its sacred uses, and the Church Missions House, a stately, dignified, and fitting structure, proclaims to the wayfarers of the crowded avenue the fact that the Protestant Episcopal Church is busy with the work it was constituted to do.

Better still, the report of the Board informs us that payment for the site and the building was completed "without incurring expense for the Society" and "without trespassing upon its funds, or interfering in any way with the receipts for the current work of Missions." "Not a dollar which was intended for Missions has gone into this enterprise, not even a temporary loan was taken from the Mission funds for the purpose. It is a clear gift to the Church to serve the cause of Missions." Beautifully appointed in every particular, it furnishes a fitting workshop for all our missionary agencies, including that mightiest of all, the united prayer of the workmen to the Author and the Finisher. The adornments of the exterior, the symbolic figure of Faith upholding the cross which should crown the gable, and the statues of our pioneer fathers, which the architect designed to surmount the portal, are yet lacking. Who will provide these memorials of the men of our earliest days, this inspiring cross of stone to be the banner upon our walls? To set up this cross as a memorial of Dr. Twing, our great Missionary Secretary, there is already in hand one hundred dollars, the gift of one who loved him best. Who will complete the amount necessary? But though these be wanting, thank God no mortgage debt stands in their place, a threatening and a burden. The Missions House is a *clear* gift to the Society.

(2) Again, the Committee call upon the Board of Missions to praise God that the year, and so the triennium, is ended without deficit. Because, as we dare believe, of the increasing stringency in the money market, because so few of our people had been prospered in the two years next preceding that which is now current, in March last it was manifest to the Board of Managers that at least one hundred thousand

dollars must be poured into our missionary treasury if the year and the triennium should end on September 1 with all the obligations paid. The venerable Presiding Bishop was accordingly asked to appeal to the Church to make up this threatened deficiency, and the answer came quick and from many voices: "Of that Thou hast given me, though the gift was in years long past, of that gift I now give unto Thee"—and the Missionaries were paid.

(3) Further still, the Committee call upon the Board of Missions to praise God that, notwithstanding our people have grown poorer in this world's goods in the three years now ended, yet the amount by them contributed to the work of the Lord in the extension of His Church has steadily increased. The whole amount received for Missions in the year ending September 1, 1893, was \$356,246.55; for the year ending September 1, 1894, \$370,174.05, and for the year just ended, September 1, 1895, \$443,813.23—in the three years, \$1,172,233.83.

(4) And further still, let us praise God that we may believe that this increase in the amount contributed is to be credited to a larger number of contributors than ever before, because we are informed by the Board of Managers that during the past year 3,506 Parishes and Missions—the largest number ever reported—have contributed to the work of the Society.

(5) And, finally, perhaps—if, indeed, a doubt should characterize the statement—perhaps the splendid devotion of the women of the Church, of whose organized work another Committee has the privilege to speak to you, is one mighty cause under God of this increase in the devotion of the whole body of the faithful. Your Committee look back to the day when our fathers, fearful and yet faithful, announced the great principle that the Church is the Missionary Society; when "the number of the names together was but an hundred and twenty"; and give loud thanks and praise that now a great multitude hath come up to the help of the Lord.

And yet, straightway your Committee must turn your thoughts from the past to the future, from the victories won to the fiercer battle before you, from the paltry possessions gained to the very much land that remains to be possessed,—and, alas! to the insufficiency of our resources in men and in material for this conquest. Your Committee bid you recall the words of the Bishops of Tokyo and of Shanghai, as they pleaded before you not many days ago for men to come and help them. We bid you consider the startling fact, that you may count upon the fingers of a hand the men who in the past year have offered themselves for the work of Foreign Missions in our Church. And we ask you to consider the question why such is our condition. We will not believe that there is not faith in the young Churchmen of to-day, as burning and as pure as animated the souls of the men who founded our Foreign Missions. We will not believe that our young men are appalled by the thought of separation from home and loved ones, or are affrighted by the story of privation, and, it may be, persecution and death, as the possible reward of the Missionary to the heathen. Nay, we believe that the opportunity of self-sacrifice is as attractive now as ever before to the man who has given himself to the Prince "made perfect through suffering." We believe that the forlorn hope of the Church calls now as ever with constraining voice to the heroic hearts of young Christian men. And equally are your Committee unwilling to believe that in two thousand of the parishes and missions of this Church there are not men, nor women, able and willing to contribute one cent to the cause of Missions. Perhaps, we venture to suggest, perhaps the apathy which withholds the money and that which withholds personal service is the same, and is due not always to the lack of the love of Christ, but to the lack of knowledge of the work that is

being done by His command, by His body, the Church. Ignorance of Missions is the sufficient explanation of unconcern about Missions. News of the battle is the provocative of enlistment for the battle. The story of the need of the troops, and of the need of others to join them; intimate personal knowledge of the men in the front, and emphasized, reiterated assertion of the bounden duty of all the sworn soldiers of the King to stand with them; this, the means, as we believe, whereby the Holy Spirit will kindle in human spirits the desire and the determination to do all that each can do. Therefore your Committee are bold to plead with their brethren of the Clergy, the commissioned leaders of the militant host, that more carefully, more diligently they will *instruct*, — mark you, *instruct*, not exhort, their people upon this great subject; that to the great congregation sometimes in the morning of the Lord's Day, and not merely to the handful of faithful ones at some week-day service, this may be the theme of their discourse; and that not generalities, but particulars and details of persons and places be given as the incitement to gift of thought and prayer and wealth. Make men see the boy of human nature wallowing on the ground in the embrace of the foul spirit, and they will hear and will hearken to the piteous cry of the father, "If thou canst do anything, have mercy upon us and help us."

Again, because your Committee can but fear that ignorance in the leaders of the progress of the great battle is the explanation of their failure to instruct their followers, and the explanation of the unconcern of leaders and followers alike, they can but recommend that in our Theological Seminaries provision shall be made for the instruction of our candidates for Orders in Missions, their history and progress; that before the eyes of these young candidates for knighthood be displayed the examples of the men who have done great deeds for Christ; that they be taken by their teachers to the heights of historic knowledge where they may behold the panorama of past achievement, and where they may breathe the pure air of self-denying devotion, of soldiership, of duty. Your Committee cannot but urge upon the Board of Missions that by solemn resolution it shall endeavour to put agencies to work to arouse this missionary spirit, which, possessing the Church, shall crowd our courts with postulants eagerly demanding the privilege of missionary service, and fill our coffers so full that there need be no dread lest we dare accept every man who offers himself.

Your Committee call upon each and every member of the Board of Missions to make the noontide prayer for Missions a reality. Let the church's bell ring out the Evangelus — the Gospel call to pray — and let the peasant in his field, the mother in her nursery, the merchant in the market place, hear and obey. Let us learn to pray for Missions, for the praying man will learn to give his all, if need be, himself.

But this brings us to the consideration of the topic of supremest importance presented in the Report of the Board of Managers; namely, that of making provision for the coming three years, of means whereby the Board of Managers may be enabled to carry on our work. Well has it been said in a recent Church journal, that we come together in this Board of Missions, we listen to eloquent addresses from Missionaries by which our spirits are stirred, we are constrained to enlarge our staff of missionary workers, we gladly, exultantly vote to send forth more Missionary Bishops, and then go away to our homes and leave to the faithful Board of Managers and to the labourious General Secretary the task of finding the money to support the enlarged undertaking which we have directed. The Board of Managers therefore asks, rightly asks, from this Board of Missions, that it devise some plan of diocesan pledges (or assurances) for the coming Triennium whereby it may be able to make its appropriations intelligently and with a reasonable expectation of seeing

its receipts suffice for its expenditures. Your Committee believe that this request is only just and right. The amount appropriated last year cannot be decreased in the year upon which we have entered, save by the abandonment of enterprises for the King already begun, and such abandonment were a disgrace. And yet, as honest men, the Board of Managers cannot appropriate and promise money which they have no reasonable expectation of being able to pay; and as prudent men they cannot make such appropriations with the unreasonable expectation that again and again in response to urgent appeal special donations of great sums of money will relieve the Board of debt. What shall we do? What can we do? Clearly, whatever plan we may devise will depend for its efficacy upon the cordial co-operation with it, the patient execution of it by the Bishops and the clergy of the several Dioceses. Almost as clear is it that different plans for the certain receipt from each and every parish of larger contributions for Missions will be best in different Dioceses. Therefore your Committee will present for your consideration a resolution addressed only to the loyal devotion of Bishops and clergy, leaving to them the adoption of such methods as they shall deem best for their own people, but declaring the *expectation* of the whole Church that in this matter of vital moment, *every man will do his duty*. Perhaps, in some Dioceses, the little children of the Sunday-schools may be the efficient collectors of the whole amount expected. Yes, we are informed by the man who knows most of the power of this agency that, in his opinion, if the Bishops and clergy would give to it full co-operation the Lenten Sunday-school Offering would provide more than enough money to meet all our present missionary expenditures. "Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings, hast Thou ordained strength." Your Committee would thank God and bid you thank God for this latest manifestation of the ordinance of God. They would call upon their Fathers in God and their brethren of the clergy that they fail not to help to their utmost the development of the strength of the children's host. But they must add, in the very words of the Report of the Board of Managers: "It would be wholly unworthy of any parish to permit the youth to usurp its privileges and discharge its duties in this regard."

In response to the request of the Board of Managers that this Board of Missions shall give direction as to the use to be made during the coming three years of the amount received as income from the Enrolment Fund, your Committee are a little bit at a loss how to reply. It were easy to repeat the recommendation made heretofore that this amount should be used in paying the salaries of some of the Missionary Bishops, but your Committee are at least doubtful whether by such direction the Board will be acting most nearly in conformity with the wishes of the faithful Churchman who conceived the plan of thus raising one million dollars; and whether it will be doing the best for the interests of the Church. Your Committee believe that the contributions of the Church will each year provide the salaries of the Missionary Bishops, and that it is good for the Church thus to maintain our missionary leaders. They believe, further, that the purpose of Mr. Fuller, the organizer of the plan by which this fund was raised, was to give the Church at once for immediate use this great sum of money, that enterprises of greater moment might be essayed. Your Committee would recommend that this Board consider whether at least a part of the fund, which now amounts to \$167,596.03, may not be wisely used for the establishment of some great school or schools at home or abroad, or both, for the education of Missionaries; or for the establishment of a Fuller Institute, a Hampton School on Church lines, for the industrial training of the great multitude of negroes growing up in ignorance and thriftlessness; or to fill some other great need which our regular contributions cannot supply.

Your Committee have noted the report of one recognized Auxiliary to

the Board of Missions, the American Church Missionary Society, engaged directly in the conduct of Missions both at home and abroad, and are impressed with the fact that by reason of the failure to incorporate into the financial report of the Society the financial report of this Auxiliary, the gross sum contributed by the Church to Missions is not perceived at a glance, but must be computed by the addition of the sum reported in the statement of the Auxiliary. Your Committee are aware of the difficulty in the way of the Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society reporting moneys which he does not receive and disburse, and yet they think that in some way this difficulty should be obviated, for the sake of our having an accurate report, instantly perceptible, of the whole amount given for Missions in the Church.

Your Committee express their gratification at the presence of all our Foreign Missionary Bishops at this meeting of the General Convention. They are sure that it is wise and well that they shall come from their distant fields to every General Convention, because there is inspiration to us all in the sight of their faces and the sound of their voices; and because they can thus best make us know what we ought to do for the discharge of our common duty. Your Committee urge the Board of Missions to listen with all their hearts to the petitions of these men for help. Shall the Bishop of China not carry back with him the nine men he asks for?

Your Committee call the attention of the Board of Missions with great satisfaction to the statement contained in the Report of the Board of Managers as to the future safety of the tenure of our property in Japan outside of the Foreign concessions. And, after consultation with the Bishop of Tokyo, append a resolution looking to its safety in the period which must elapse before the new Civil Code shall go into effect.

Because this Board has already discussed at length the great question presented by the Report of the Board of Managers of sending a Bishop to Alaska, and has taken action thereon, your Committee think it unnecessary to make mention of the subject.

Your Committee congratulate you upon the results of the work of the Rev. Henry Forrester, the Presbyterian sent by the Presiding Bishop by your request to counsel and guide the work of Presbyters and readers in Mexico who have asked our fostering care, and they bid you mark that this good service, good by the testimony of all who have seen it, has been rendered without any charge upon the treasury of our Society.

Finally, your Committee are persuaded that the time has come for the consideration of the expediency of redistricting the territory comprised in the Missionary Jurisdictions of the Church. They believe that to make the lines defining the civil district known as a State or Territory the necessary confines of a Missionary District is unwise and unstatesmanlike, because the Missionary Bishop so placed cannot under the conditions of our present material development do the most effective work for the Church. The incoming of the railroad into these vast regions of the West has wrought mighty changes in every way; and not least, as can be readily seen without further elucidation, in the proper placing of the Missionary Bishop and the definition of the territory to be under his charge. Your Committee therefore offer for your consideration the following resolutions, viz.:

(1) *Resolved*, That the Board of Missions records its sense of gratitude to the liberal Churchmen and Churchwomen whose large gifts have erected the Church Missions House, and have relieved the Board of the alarming debt which six months ago seemed to threaten the very continuance of its work.

(2) *Resolved*, That the Board of Missions expresses to its General Secretary its high appreciation of his indefatigable labours both for the erection of the Missions House and the extinguishment of our debt.

(3) *Resolved*, That the Bishop presiding now bid this Board to offer to Almighty God our praise for all these His good gifts.

(4) *Resolved*, That this Board earnestly entreats the Clergy of the Church to set before their congregations regularly, frequently, and with minute detail, the needs of the Mission work in men and in money, and to diligently exhort their parishioners to larger offerings of themselves and their means to God for the accomplishment of His redemption work.

(5) *Resolved*, That this Board calls upon the authorities of our Theological Seminaries to provide for their students' regular and systematic instruction in Missions, their history and progress; and to endeavour by the use of such agencies as may commend themselves to intensify in their students the missionary spirit, which is the spirit of Christ.

(6) *Resolved*, That every Parish and Mission of this Church is expected to contribute to the treasury of our Missionary Society annually for the next three years.

(7) *Resolved*, That every Parish and Mission which has contributed during the past year is expected to contribute annually during the next three years, a sum at least one-fourth larger than it gave last year.

(8) *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Board furnish to every Bishop of the Church as speedily as may be after its adjournment, a statement of the amount contributed by his Diocese or District during the past years, and the amount expected annually in the coming triennium.

(9) *Resolved*, That relying upon the fulfilment of the expectation of this Board that every Parish will contribute annually to the treasury of our Society during the coming three years, the Board of Missions advises and directs the Board of Managers to make the appropriations to the Dioceses for the three remaining quarters of the current financial year at the same rate which they have adopted for the first quarter.

(10) *Resolved*, That this Board earnestly entreats the Bishops, each one, to take such measures as he may think best, to ensure that his own Diocese or District shall fulfil the expectation; shall do their duty which the Church expects.

(11) *Resolved*, That the Board of Missions is of opinion that no real property should be purchased outside the Foreign Concession in Japan, until the new Civil Code shall have gone into effect, unless the title can, through the intervention of responsible natives, be made absolutely safe to the Society.

(12) *Resolved*, That the Board of Missions requests the House of Bishops to commit to a Special Committee of its own number to report to the next General Convention, the question of redistricting the whole of our Domestic Missionary territory, with a view to the most economical and efficient administration of our several Missionary Jurisdictions.

(13) *Resolved*, That the Board of Managers is hereby empowered and directed to use so much of the Enrolment Fund as it may deem necessary, and to employ such agency as it may think best, for the establishment as speedily as may be at such place as it may select, of a school for the education and evangelization of the coloured people.

Respectfully submitted,

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J. S. B. HODGES.
GEORGE McCLELLAN FISKE.
HENRY L. JONES.
HORACE O. MOSS.
HERVEY C. PARKE.
L. H. MOREHOUSE.

The following resolutions, presented by Mr. Temple of Vermont, were referred to the Board of Managers :

WHEREAS, Every baptized person of this Church is a member of the General Missionary Society, and, therefore, that missionary offerings should be made by every Churchman according to his ability; it is

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Board, that the Secretary shall name to each Bishop the minimum amount which his Diocese or Jurisdiction should contribute per annum, such amount to be based upon the total amount expended for parochial expenses in such Diocese; and that such amounts, when determined, should then be apportioned by each Diocesan Board of Missions upon the baptized members in the several parishes or Missions in each Diocese or Jurisdiction, in the ratio of the respective expenses of such parishes.

Resolved, That this Board request the adoption of a system of pledges in each parish, under the direction of the Rector or Missionary, by which the amount suggested to be raised by the baptized members of this Society in a parish or Mission, shall be offered independently of the ordinary parochial method of raising funds; and, further, that the several Bishops be earnestly requested to bring this subject to the attention of their Clergy, urging them to canvass their parishes before Advent in each year, and to secure such individual pledges, to be collected within each fiscal year, and remitted either directly to the General Treasurer of Missions, or to the Treasurers of the respective Diocesan Missionary Boards for transmission to him.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mallory of Milwaukee, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Managers be and are hereby instructed to have prepared a large wall map of the United States of America for the use of the General Convention, representing in clear outlines the various Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Potwine of Oregon, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Managers be requested to consider the expediency of publishing and issuing for the use of Sunday-schools and Parochial Missionary Societies a system of charts or maps illustrative of the Missionary Territory, Domestic and Foreign, cultivated by this Church.

The following resolution was offered by the Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland :

Resolved, That the Board of Managers be and hereby is instructed to make an appropriation in gross of \$60,000 for the next year to the Commission for Coloured People, all special offerings through the various agencies to be included in the sum named.

On motion of the Bishop of Maryland, the resolution was amended by striking out the words "in gross of \$60,000 for the next year," and inserting in their stead the words "at the rate of \$70,000 per annum for the remainder of the current fiscal year"; and was then adopted.

The following minute, offered by the Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota, was unanimously adopted by a rising vote :

This Board has noted with great regret the absence, on account of illness, of one of its most highly valued members, the Right Reverend the Missionary Bishop of South Dakota, and would express to him its cordial greetings and its profound sympathy with him in his illness, at the same time praying the great Bishop and Shepherd of all souls, if it be His good pleasure, to restore this Reverend Father in God to his former health, and to his much needed usefulness in His holy Church.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That when the Board adjourns this evening it adjourn *sine die*; unless called together by the concurrent vote of the two Houses of General Convention.

The following communication was received from the American Church Building Fund Commission :

At a meeting of the American Church Building Fund Commission, held in Minneapolis, October 16, 1895, Rev. Dr. Langford in the chair, the following officers of the Commission were elected: President, the Rt. Rev. John Williams, D.D.; Vice-presidents, Rt. Rev. Henry B. Whipple, D.D., LL.D., Rt. Rev. William C. Doane, D.D., LL.D., Rt. Rev. George De N. Gillespie, D.D., Rt. Rev. Thomas A. Starkey, DD., and Rt. Rev. Cortlandt Whitehead, DD.; Secretary, Mr. William G. Low; Treasurer, Mr. George Bliss.

The following gentlemen were elected trustees, to serve until the next meeting of the General Convention: the Rt. Rev. Thomas A. Starkey, D.D.; the Rt. Rev. John Scarborough, D.D.; the Rev. Drs. Dix, Langford, Battershall, Cooper, Malcolm, Jefferies, Littell, Schuyler; Gen. J. G. Wilson; Gov. Prince; and Messrs. Wm. G. Low, Cornelius Vanderbilt, John N. Carpenter, N. Pendleton Schenck, and Henry E. Pierrepont.

J. NEWTON PERKINS, *Secretary of the Meeting.*

On motion, the Minutes of this session were approved.

The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop presiding, and, on motion, the Board adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY B. WHIPPLE,

Bishop Presiding.

MORGAN DIX,

President of the House of Deputies.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,

Secretary of the House of Deputies.

WILLIAM S. LANGFORD,

Secretary of the Board of Managers.

JOSHUA KIMBER,

Assistant Secretary of the Board of Managers.

PASTORAL LETTER.

To our well-beloved in Christ, the Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America :
Grace be unto you, and Peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

ONCE more it has been our privilege to meet with your representatives in the Triennial Convention of the Church. It closes with signal proofs of God's favour. His mercies have not been hindered by the shortcomings of its members or by their misuse of His grace. The bonds of brotherhood in Christ have been strengthened ; our Missions have been enlarged ; and, from statistics presented, we are able to record many gratifying evidences of the Church's edification within, and of the marked extension of its influence without.

We thankfully remember our revered fathers and brothers who have departed in the faith and fear of God's holy Name, and sadly miss some of our number, of whose wise counsels we have been deprived by age and infirmity. May our compassionate Lord minister to them grace and consolation in the days of their weakness and trial.

The altered conditions of the Church, due to its expanding life in the past century, have imposed upon this body two very grave and far-reaching tasks—the revision of the Book of Common Prayer, and the revision of the Constitution and Canons of the Church. The one was happily completed three years ago, and the other has made satisfactory progress during the session now closed. However much these labours and the immediate results of them may have taught us respecting past defects and present

needs of the Church, they have given us a still more important lesson respecting the identity and continuity of the Church throughout the Christian ages. We know now, better than before these tasks were undertaken, what in the Church's polity and worship is unchangeable, and what in them can respond, under wise guidance, with a flexibility at once conservative and progressive, to the ever shifting environment of times, countries, and races. We have had, moreover, fresh and inspiring proofs of the transcendent value of the Catholic heritage committed to our keeping, together with a deepened sense of our obligation to spare no effort to enable all the faithful in Christ Jesus of every name to share its blessings. Our American fathers in the Faith builded well in their day and generation. It will be praise enough if our children in the coming century shall be able to say as much of us.

The state of the Church, so far as it is shown to us in the report of the House of Deputies, brings to our notice a serious defect in the most important department of our common work; namely, our Domestic and Foreign Missions. It is true, that through the effort of the Board of Managers, the debt which threatened to cripple our missionary efficiency has been paid. But the way in which it was done warns the members of the Church of a neglected duty. The large offerings of a few rich laymen, not more, perhaps, than their proportion of what ought to be the large sum given yearly for this great work, are utterly disproportionate, whether measured by the small amount given by the Church at large, or by the due distribution of giving by the whole body of the laity. It is right that the rich should give largely; it is not right that they should relieve any, even the poorest, of his privilege of giving in proportion to his ability. We can never hope to rise to the measure of our opportunities and of our obligations to meet them until every baptized man, woman, and child shall give freely, systematically, conscientiously, to the support of the Gospel and Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. In this connection, we note with grateful commendation the constantly growing work of that efficient and generous helper of the Church's Missions, the Woman's Auxiliary. Its triennial offering this year, though more than twofold larger

than the previous one, is not of so much moment as the glowing and energetic love for Missions which it manifests. Would that this impressive example of zeal and liberality might plead, in this day of stinted and irregular giving, with every member of the Church, to "go and do likewise."

Missions in China have recently suffered a great disaster. When least expecting it, the Church has been shocked by an outbreak of hostility and violence, which, in the world's estimation, has revived the question of the Church's right to be there at all. Devoted missionaries have sealed with their blood the Faith they were sent forth to teach. But this is no new experience of the Church in the fulfilment of its duty to carry the message of life to all nations. It has often confronted the same judgment of the world, and the same temper in the great world religions which it was set up to supplant. As in the ages past, so now, persecution will feed the fire of Christian zeal; violence will develop a more resolute courage; suffering even unto death will produce a more patient fortitude under trial, and stimulate the faithful to nobler ventures of self-sacrifice. The greater the blindness and hatred of heathen peoples toward the Gospel of Christ, the stronger will be the call upon the servants of Christ to endure hardness in the struggle to spread abroad His words of light and love. Such a crisis in missionary work will not be without its use and purpose, if, as like ones have done in the past, it brings to the front and sets in battle array a larger measure of the heroism always latent in the militant host of Christ. For the present, then, the moral of this calamity is — more, not fewer, men in the field, and larger offerings by the Church to sustain them.

The prosperity and growth of the Church are impressively shown by the consent given to the formation of five new Dioceses and two new Missionary Jurisdictions. The reports of our Domestic Missionary Bishops are full of encouragement. They illustrate and confirm the wise foresight which sent them forth to their respective fields, and abundantly assure the Church that it is taking no mean part in the great task of infusing the spirit of Christian institutions into the life of new communities, and into the laws of newly

organized States. Our Bishops, as men of God, in those remoter parts of our country, are the best builders of civil empire to the full extent that they are Apostolic builders of the Kingdom of Christ. Not only will souls be saved and the Church be strengthened, but our beloved country in all the younger offspring of its life will be enriched and blessed by their labours. As they go forth to their far-off work, often almost single-handed, let us see that they do so with the encouragement of our sympathy, with evident tokens of our loving remembrance, and with the moral as well as ecclesiastical authority of our sanction.

The great question of Christian Unity continues to excite our earnest solicitude, though the prospect of any immediate and tangible result is not encouraging. The mind of the House of Bishops as set forth in the Declaration of 1886 is unchanged. Though that Declaration contained too much for some and too little for others, we are persuaded that, as a basis for discussion and conference, we could not hope to improve it, even with the added experience of the conflicting criticisms of recent years. We regret that its overtures have not as yet been accepted by those to whom they were addressed; but rejoice to know that many of the faithful of various ecclesiastical connections have resolved to continue the study of the conditions and principles of unity as exhibited in the once undivided Church. We desire to assure all such, however associated for the better accomplishment of their purpose, of our sympathy and approval, and, so far as may be proper or needful, of our counsel. This plan, for leavening the general Christian mind with the spirit of unity, is all the more worthy of encouragement, because attempts at formal conference with accredited representatives of the several Christian Communions concerned seem, for the present, to be ended. Denominational barriers, however rigidly maintained, cannot hinder the prayers or fetter the aspirations or suppress the inquiries of the common mind of Christendom. It is in this direction that we now turn with good hopes of substantial fruits in the near future. But however earnest and persistent our endeavour to keep alive this great movement and the deep yearnings which inspire it, we can imagine no circumstance that would

induce us to consent to any departure from the ancient deposit of the Faith and Order committed to our keeping for the common benefit of mankind, or to the impairment of any truly Apostolic and Catholic tradition of the Church, or to any measures which, in bringing us nearer to post-Reformation Communions, would create any new obstacles to reunion with the old historic branches of the Catholic Church. Meanwhile we have an unshaken faith in the fulfilment of our Lord's prayer for the unity of His people. We believe that under Him, whatever the signs of the times to the contrary, the forces working for the restoration of such unity will, ere long, triumph over the forces working against it, and that modern individualism in religion will, in due time, be brought to recognize the fact that whatever in it may be needful to the wholesome spiritual progress of redeemed humanity can reach its proper development only as it shall be trained into harmony with the organic order of the Kingdom of Christ. In behalf of this great interest, we recommend that constant and earnest supplication be made to Almighty God, and that no effort be spared to diffuse a knowledge of the true principles of Church unity; and that the feast of Whitsunday be annually observed as a most appropriate time for such prayer and instruction.

We note only a slight change in the number of postulants and candidates for Holy Orders. This may mean much or little for the growth and efficiency of the Church. The training of candidates will be governed by the supposed needs of the Church. It is commonly assumed that the most urgent need is of men qualified to do the work of parish priests. To provide for this need is the chief, but it ought not to be the exclusive, aim of our Theological Schools. No candidate for the sacred Ministry should anywhere in the course of his preparation take it for granted that he will be appointed or called to the duties of a settled pastorate. Whatever may be said of the Church's duty to build up the life within it in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, it is certain that it is equally bound to offer that grace and knowledge to the life that is without. Its mission is to all that know not God, not less than to those who accept Him. Indeed, the

body of Christ cannot be truly edified unless it offers its loving help to the nations and peoples of the earth that sit in darkness. It may need more men for the former; but that it needs some men for the latter task is certain. Now it is the fault of much of our training for the Ministry that it fails to produce the kind and number of Clergy demanded by the Church for its Missionary work at home and abroad. However it may be accounted for, it is painfully apparent that the self-sacrificing type of priestly service is, to say the least, not on the increase. Our young men may be intellectually well furnished, may be well grounded in dogmatic and practical theology, may have a fairly good average of personal energy and a sincere desire to serve the Master, if the service be not too exacting and burdensome; but if their training and outfit include nothing higher in motive, or more intense in conviction, or more positive in self-consecration, their ministry, in its daily contact with the world, will sooner or later drop from the dignity and fervour of a divine vocation to the loveless routine of an ordained professionalism. Better than an army of such, the few who indeed count all things loss for Christ — the few who, fresh from the hands laid upon them in ordination, and as if conscious of the awful gift of the Holy Ghost then received, come to the front with their lives in their hands, saying to those set over them in the Lord, “We are your servants for Christ’s sake; send us whither ye will, even to the ends of the earth.” These are the men for whom China, and Japan, and Africa, and the waste places of this land are waiting in their darkness and desolation. To call for such men, and to call in vain, is the bitterest experience that can befall the Church. Is this sort of poverty to be reckoned a part of the Church’s humiliation at the close of the Nineteenth Century, now busy in rounding out the brilliant record of its achievements in all departments of the world’s life? It may come to this, but not without words of warning and entreaty from us. If, under the pressure of a sore want, we are to plead for a return of that noblest characteristic of the Christian Ministry which seems to have so largely vanished, where could we hope to plead with such persuasive force as here in this great Northwest,

the first pulsations of whose now gigantic life were made to beat in unison with the Gospel of Christ by the apostolic labours of James Lloyd Breck and his noble associates?

We should fail in our duty to a large part of that home field of which we have the oversight, did we not strive to impress upon all loyal citizens and loving Christians the vast importance in Church and State of that factor in our civilization known as the negro race. The increase of numbers and resources among them adds to the gravity of the problem how to assimilate these people to our national existence, and we are confronted with the truth that "either we must lift them up, or they will drag us down." We have made them citizens, and we must make them Christians, really and effectually, or we shall feel the harmful influence of millions, aggregating one-tenth of our entire population. We thankfully recognize the moral advance of an ever increasing number of this race during the past decade, but regret that their still imperfect ethical standard is so little aided by the ideas of religion most prevalent among them. The responsibility of this work belongs to no one section. To redeem and elevate these people is a demand which the American Church cannot safely or reasonably decline. We urge, therefore, upon our Clergy and congregations the need of large gifts and endowments for the successful prosecution of this work through the authorized channels of the Church.

We beg to call your attention to the Fund for the relief of disabled Clergymen and of the widows and orphans of those deceased. Merely to name this Fund ought to be enough to command for it the sympathy and help of all whom our words will reach. The existing provision for this purpose is sadly inadequate. To increase it to a suitable amount is a need so real and pressing that Churchmen cannot longer neglect it without a painful reflection upon their sense of obligation to those who, having borne the burden and heat of the day, are now struggling in loneliness and obscurity with undeserved want. Let the awakened heart of the Church prove its sorrow for this great wrong by prompt and earnest endeavours to repair it. The unfilled treasury

of this hallowed Fund puts forth through us not only a pathetic appeal but a righteous demand for large and constant gifts. We earnestly recommend that stated offerings be made for this Fund annually, on Quinquagesima Sunday, or on the Sunday nearest thereto that may be convenient.

There are several important topics which, for lack of space, must be briefly treated. We look with deep concern upon the disturbed industrial and social relations of the time, and sympathize with every well-meant attempt to apply to them the principle of justice and love. The teachings of experience confirm and emphasize those of revelation; and the more we study the often misguided, and sometimes passionate, agitations of our time, the more we are convinced that whatever is wrong in those relations can find an adequate remedy only in the law of love as delivered to us by the word and example of Him Who revealed and for ever united the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

Recent events in some parts of our country compel us to call your earnest attention to a widely spread and determined attack upon the use and purpose of the weekly day of rest, known from the beginning of the Christian era as the Lord's Day. It is declared in the law of God to be His own day, and by the Saviour of man to be "made for man." It is protected by a divine command and by the perpetual sanctity of a human right. Men may and ought to worship God every day; but for the greater assurance of this duty, one day in seven has, with the formal sanction of all Christian civilization, been set apart for its due observance. This order cannot be disturbed without grave evils to the individual and the family, to society and the state. It seems almost incredible that our modern life should be capable of bringing into play any powers of evil that could seriously threaten the existence of so divine and beneficent an institution. And yet the peril and disaster of such a menace confront Christian people in wide areas of the country. We exhort you, dear brethren, to meet this menace with unfaltering courage and resolute determination, and in no opportunity that may be presented to decline battle with the insatiate greed of the liquor traffic and the growing desire for

popular pleasures and amusements, which with increasing boldness claim all days alike for their uses. In this connection the House of Bishops, in view of recent occurrences in several of our States, desires to express its hearty approval of the prompt and courageous application of the powers of civil government for the repression of barbarous, brutal, and indecent exhibitions and recreations of whatever sort.

By the tender mercies of our God, and the infinite compassion of our common Saviour, we beseech you, brethren, to remember in your prayers, and with your prompt and liberal help, that long suffering and downtrodden people of the ancient and faithful Church of Armenia. To wasting oppression and persecution extending far back into the past, has now been added, by the fanatical violence and hatred of Moslem power, the unspeakable atrocities of to-day. Such a cry for sympathy and aid has seldom been heard in all the ages of Christendom. .

Beloved brethren, we, your Bishops, have recently addressed to you, and do now re-affirm, a Pastoral Letter, dealing chiefly with two of the great fundamental verities of the Christian Faith: the dwelling among us of the Word made flesh, "conceived by the Holy Ghost and born of the Virgin Mary," and the inspiration of the written Word of God, in which "the Holy Ghost speaks by the prophets"; two truths which underlie Christianity, and without which God has not been fully revealed to man.

We are left free, therefore, with no fear of seeming to disregard the incomparable value of "the Faith once for all delivered to the saints," to speak to you now about the expression of that Faith, in certain details of the public worship of the Church. Let us remember that it is of the essence of all acceptable worship (for God will only be worshipped "in spirit and in truth"), that it should rightly express the Catholic Faith. While it is true, in reason and in fact, that the Faith loses its hold upon the conscience if it be framed only in theological formularies, it is true also that false doctrine finds no readier medium for conveying its poison to the mind, than in unsound or unregulated forms of service. The hymn *Te Deum* and the constantly recited Creeds,

the recurring cycle of the festivals of the Christian year, the Trinity in the Litany, the Incarnation on Christmas Day, the Resurrection at Easter, the doctrine of the Holy Spirit on Whitsunday, the intercession of the great High Priest in the ending of every prayer — these have kept bright and clear the Faith, when decrees of Councils and elaborate catechisms would have been forgotten. The Book of Common Prayer is the guide to a true worship, because, in every page and part of it, it is the guardian of the true Faith.

It is on this ground that we base our plea to the Clergy and congregations entrusted to our care, to stand loyally by and contend earnestly for pure doctrine, by submitting their public teaching and their public conduct of divine service to the spirit and the letter of the Prayer Book.

Nor are we contending for any narrow use or interpretation of the book. Neither of the two theories is true in any sweeping sense, that “omission is prohibition,” or that “failure to forbid means freedom to introduce.” On the one hand, the Prayer Book is not, and is not intended to be, a minute and detailed directory, entering accurately into the minutiae of every separate act. It was not compiled by a “congregation of rites,” but it breathes the devotion of God’s worshippers in all the centuries since He first revealed Himself to man. It is very easy to point out, here and there, deficiencies of direction as to vestments or postures. It is easier still to make too much of them, as excuses for individualism. On the other hand, the drift and intention of the Liturgy are unmistakably positive and plain. And to the loyal Churchman, the instinct will be to fill up what may seem to be lacking in clearness or distinctness, with *only* such ritual as may be in entire accord with the spirit of the Prayer Book, and to regard himself as clearly forbidden to introduce any act or service or word which violates its intention and purpose.

Before passing to any specification of warning or counsel, which the present condition of the Church seems to us to demand, there are two other principles which need to be plainly stated. Ours is a book of *Common* Prayer. It is intended to serve, first of all,

the purpose of expressing the united devotions of a congregation of people. Congregations will be everywhere made up of varying temperaments and mixed characters ; and it is unseemly and unbecoming, in the sanctuary or in the pews, to allow the excrescences of individual practice to thrust themselves into too great prominence. St. Paul's warning to the Corinthian Christians about the use of their extraordinary gifts in the public congregation is not without application here. At the same time, it is not to be denied that the greater rule of charity ought to forbid either the harsh criticism of personal practices, or the attempt to compel a dead level of absolute uniformity, where allowances should be made for really *allowable* differences of feeling and its expression. But postures and acts of reverence, perfectly natural to an individual, and perfectly proper in his private devotions, become improper and unnatural, if they are forced upon the attention of others to whom they are not only distasteful but distracting. Self-effacement and the promotion of reverence in the congregation should be the governing motives of the men who are set to lead the public worship of the Church ; and the courtesy of mutual consideration ought to rule the worshippers themselves. It can hardly be necessary to dwell at any length upon two other practical considerations : First, the larger danger lies in exaggerating the importance of minor accessories. Valuable as they may be within the laws and limitations of the Church, they are not worth contending for, as though they were articles of the Christian Faith. The man who puts into his creed questions of ceremony is guilty of the sin of disproportion. It is far better to teach the truth persuasively, than to force it by practices which antagonize and annoy. And, secondly, it must be plain to any intelligent and earnest priest, that in villages and towns where there is but one congregation to which all members of this Church must go, he is far less free to press things, which though lawful may not be expedient, than if the people had a choice of going to other places of worship, where the ritual would be more helpful to their devotion.

Our attention is naturally directed first to the service of the Holy Communion. We rejoice to witness a growing appreciation

of the privilege of the weekly Eucharist; but we regret that we are somehow in danger of falling into the error of disparaging all other worship, by the intense feeling of reverence for this Sacrament and by the increasing frequency of its celebration. The two great Sacraments stand upon the same high level of tremendous dignity, not only as instituted by Christ Himself, but as "generally necessary to salvation." Names are of consequence, because they become symbols and descriptions of things. The Church, undoubtedly, not denying grace and an outward sign to Confirmation and Ordination for instance, nor implying that they were not instituted by Christ Himself, by the use of the qualifying words, "generally necessary to salvation," shows that the two which are "generally necessary to salvation" are the two which she is content to call Sacraments. Of the other words which are sometimes used — "the sacrament of penance," while the Church knows only the gracious power of absolution; "the mass," which would be as harmless as it is unmeaning were it not for its indication of a desire to import the language of another Communion — it is enough to say that they involve the surrender of the manly independence of a Church rooted in the primitive soil of Christianity to a Church which has no claim upon the allegiance of the English-speaking race.

But we are far more concerned with the misusing of the Sacrament of the Holy Communion than with its misnaming, and this lies in three directions: the virtual introduction of what are called "solitary masses"; the advocacy and adoption (in few instances, it is true) of an unauthorized Office of Holy Communion adapted to this theory; and the reservation of the consecrated elements as objects towards which a special adoration is to be addressed.

The practice of celebrations at which the worshippers, to say the least, are discouraged from receiving the Sacrament grows out of two theories: first, the magnifying of the element of offering, which is half, and the first half, of the object of the institution; and, secondly, the overweening importance attached to the practice of fasting communions.

The Holy Communion is the great act of offering, the Christian

sacrifice, “the unbloody sacrifice.” But the teaching of the Holy Scriptures makes inseparable the union of the two appointed acts of the institution; “as often as ye eat this bread and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord’s death till He come”; and we have no right to separate that which God hath joined together. There is no need, in the reaction from the thought of a mere empty reminder of an absent person and a past event, or from the thought only of the personal benefit of eating and drinking nourishment for the soul, to pass to an unscriptural division of the Sacrament by separating the offering and the receiving, the Eucharist and the Communion.

The very title which this Church has chosen, with the authoritative expression of command, “the Order for the Administration of the Lord’s Supper or Holy Communion,” corrects and condemns this error. The whole construction of the Office so takes for granted the reception, so intertwines the thought of celebrating and making the memorial which Christ hath commanded us to make, with receiving the consecrated elements “according to His holy institution,” that they cannot be separated without violating the whole teaching and purpose of the institution of our Lord. Indeed, it is plainly the consciousness of this fact which has led to the second wrong. Instead of recognizing the fact that a theory which makes inconsistent and impossible the use of the Church’s required service is untenable, some have presumed to compile an office which, by omission and adaptation, shall bring the Church’s teaching into conformity with their views. But clearly this is not “ministering the sacraments as the Lord hath commanded and as this Church hath received the same.”

So far as the motive of this discouragement of communicants is the urging of people to receive fasting, we, your Bishops, desire to speak with due consideration of an ancient and prevalent custom in the Church. But the claim that it is a *requirement* of the Church is unwarranted and indefensible. Reverent in its intention, with the guarantee of long usage, and with the commendation of very saintly men, it is not to be elevated to the dignity of an ecclesiastical *command*. It has, of course, no warrant in the words or in

the circumstances of the institution of the Sacrament. And there is no statement in the Prayer Book, as to the requirements for the right reception of the Holy Communion, which includes it or implies it. And therefore no Minister of this Church is justified in doing more than to commend it, where it may be safely used, to "such as can receive it." Between the alternatives of infrequent communion and fasting communion, there ought to be no question as to that choice which conforms most literally to our Lord's language and design. And we cannot but feel that the stress and urgency ought to be directed, first, to bring people to receive the Holy Communion; and secondly, to bring them with those three spiritual qualifications of *repentance*, *faith*, and *charity*, without which no man can worthily receive the Holy Eucharist.

We cannot leave the question of unauthorized methods of celebrating the Holy Communion, without rebuking the lawlessness which omits any part, or parts, of the appointed Office of the Holy Communion, other than those allowed by the rubrics in that Office to be so omitted. This unseemly practice destroys the whole value and object of the Book of Common Prayer, and is in every instance to be condemned.

The practice of reserving the Sacrament is not sanctioned by the law of this Church, though the Ordinary may, in cases of extreme necessity, authorize the reserved Sacrament to be carried to the sick. We are deeply pained to know that any among us adopt a use of the reserved elements such as the Article condemns as "not ordained of Christ."

Whatever theological motive or metaphysical meaning may be assigned to the rubric in the Communion Office, whatever historical colouring may be given to it, as a study of liturgics, no ingenuity of evasion can turn the plain "shall not be carried out of the Church," "shall reverently eat and drink the same," into an authorization of the use of the remaining elements for a service of benediction or for purposes of adoration. Most earnestly do we appeal to the Clergy to consider the wrong of such disobedience alike to the letter and the spirit of our ecclesiastical law.

We are pleading for loyalty to the Church; but there are deeper

reasons and higher motives even than this. It must never be forgotten that our only relation to the Catholic Church is through our Communion with the National Church whose Ministers we are, and through our inheritance from the reformed Church of England. And this Church stands to-day claiming to be in America, in Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship, the fullest and fairest representative of the Church of the Holy Scriptures, of the Apostles, and of the first centuries. She believes that she has to offer to those who have retained primitive order, the Faith and the Worship of the primitive Church. She believes that she has to offer to those who have kept the Faith, at least pure from Tridentine and later Roman traditions, the primitive order and a form of worship in which the old Faith is and can be preserved unaltered. And she has offered, in most definite and official terms, the principles which express her desire and her plea for a reunited Christendom. But this broken front, these divided teachings, these divers customs among ourselves, distract the minds of those who, from outside, are looking for an accordant presentation of the Faith. There can be no question that the wide divergencies of ritual and service — far exceeding the broad limits of the Church's toleration — are scandals, “stumbling-blocks,” to those whose feet tend toward the old paths, in which they long to stand fast and find rest for their souls. On the other hand, where the longing for reunion looks toward the Church of Rome, these here-and-there imitations of her corrupted worship, these now-and-then echoes of her modern teachings, either awake her scorn and contempt for the inconsistencies of those who pretend to have escaped them, or else strengthen her in the conviction that, by a bold maintenance of her modern position, she can win their allegiance to her claims.

We are indeed between two perilous tendencies. On the one hand there is a demand for concessions which will make it easy for members of the Christian bodies, not in communion with this Church, to enter her Ministry, to transfer themselves bodily as congregations, with faint and feeble guards of soundness in their forms of worship. On the other, there is a plea put forth by some to enter into negotiations with the Bishop of Rome with a

view to reunion, which is now known to be possible only by absolute submission to his unscriptural and unlawful demands. It is a time of intense religious stir and thought. The very attacks upon the strongholds of our faith in God have not only directed the attention of the whole world to the Holy Scriptures, but have won for them a carefulness of study, a reverence of recognition, and an assured confidence in their authority and authenticity, which vindicates the abiding and unchanging traditional recognition of their inspired authority to which the Church has clung; sometimes with a critical foresight which anticipated the discoveries of modern scholarship, sometimes with an uncritical positiveness which has saved them in the past centuries from neglect and loss. The great and continuous growth of our Church in numbers and in influence, in broadened activities and deepened energies, has brought about a conviction in the popular mind, of her combination of adaptability to changing conditions of life, with fast hold upon the unchanging facts of history and revelation, which to-day puts her in a position of enormous responsibility to the Christian world, longing for rest and relief from the divisions and distractions of the spirit of sect.

What is the wise thing for us to do? Surely not to surrender the very essential elements of our attractive strength. Rome, which is willing enough to absorb us, would have no reminder left of the old traditional "evangelical truth and apostolic order," if we are to dally with her, by gradual assimilations to her errors as to the Faith. And the *disorganized* and *unorganized* protestantism will find nothing to seek in us, if we play fast and loose with the trust that we have received, not for to-day and ourselves, but for the human race in all time.

The wise thing for us to do now is to hold fast to our position; to be more and more at unity among ourselves; to "speak the truth in love"; "to love the truth and peace"; to be patient with differences while we are positive about distinctive truths; to be conscious rather of our own shortcomings than of the deficiencies of others; to dwell most upon the much there is in common among all "who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity"; to maintain the

points of separation, with the clear conviction that only absolute faithfulness to truth compels their maintenance; to train our people in the “principles of the doctrine of Christ”; to “stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free”; to “pray always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and to watch thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints”; and above all things to “put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.”

And now, dear brethren, waiting for the Second Coming of our adorable Saviour, and commending you to God and to the Word of His grace, we pray that He will “make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.”

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SPECIAL MEETING OF BISHOPS.

HELD IN NEW YORK, MARCH, 1893.

DIOCESAN HOUSE, NEW YORK,
Wednesday, March 1, 1893.

THIS being the day and the place appointed by the Presiding Bishop, under Title I., Canon 19, § xv. [3], of the Digest, for a special meeting of Bishops, to consider the resignation of the Bishop of South Carolina, the Bishops assembled as above.

The roll being called, it was found that forty-three Bishops were present, as follows : the Bishop of Connecticut (Presiding Bishop), the Bishops of Rhode Island, Western New York, Maine, Missouri, Oregon, Central New York, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, South Dakota, North Carolina, Northern Texas, Kentucky, New Jersey, Southern Ohio, Chicago, Iowa, Quincy, West Virginia, Springfield, Newark, Pittsburgh, Indiana, New York, Southern Virginia, North Dakota, the Assistant Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, the Bishops of Maryland, Nebraska, Florida, Wyoming and Idaho, Easton, Western Texas, Nevada and Utah, New Mexico and Arizona, the Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Bishops of Fond du Lac, Ohio, Michigan, Louisiana, Milwaukee, Georgia, and the Assistant Bishop of Springfield.

The Presiding Bishop laid before the Bishops the following letter from the Bishop of South Carolina, accompanied by a letter from the medical attendant of the said Bishop :

CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA,
November 15, 1892.

Right Reverend and dear Bishop,—In July last, having had a stroke of paralysis, I called for a Coadjutor Bishop for the Diocese of South Carolina, hoping to be able after some months' rest to resume my Episcopal work. I am satisfied now, however, that this hope will not be realized. I can no longer do work for the good of the Diocese, and must, therefore, lay before you and the House of Bishops my resignation of the Jurisdiction of the Diocese of South Carolina. The enclosed letter of my attending physician is sufficient evidence of the necessity of the step suggested.

I remain affectionately yours in Christ,

W. B. W. HOWE,

Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina.

To the Rt. Rev. JOHN WILLIAMS, D.D., LL.D.,
Presiding Bishop.

On motion of the Bishop of Connecticut, the communication from the Bishop of South Carolina was referred to a special committee. The Bishops of Rhode Island, Western New York, and Kentucky were appointed such committee.

The Bishop of Rhode Island, from the Committee to which was referred the resignation of the Bishop of South Carolina, presented as a report the following preamble and resolutions :

FORASMUCH as the venerable Bishop of South Carolina has laid before his brethren, duly and canonically assembled in New York this first day of March, 1893, his resignation of his Jurisdiction on canonical grounds of ill-health, and under the advice of his physician, that his physical condition requires his absolute relief and retirement from all further exertions in the duties of his Episcopate; now, therefore,

Resolved, That the Bishops duly assembled under the provisions of the Canon cannot refrain from reminding their beloved brother that our Canons provide for such relief and retirement, apart from his resignation of his Jurisdiction and of his title as Bishop of the same; and that our judgment is that it is a case which eminently justifies his adoption of the alternative thus suggested, by which all the duties and privileges of administration can be placed in the hands of a Coadjutor, without the relinquishment of a position which has been so efficiently occupied, and which it is believed his Diocese, as well as ourselves, would be glad to see terminated only with his honourable and most useful life.

Resolved, That we are influenced to this action not only by our high estimate of the services and character of our beloved brother, but by the general principle on which the existing Canon was framed; that is, to discourage resignation of aged and infirm Bishops, to maintain their dignity and honour, and to provide relief for Diocesan wants and a dignified position for a Coadjutor without the sundering of ties so sacred, and to which the increase of years imposes additional sanctity in the experience of Christian Churches.

THOMAS M. CLARK.
A. CLEVELAND COXE.
T. U. DUDLEY.

The preamble and resolutions reported by the Committee were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

On motion, the Presiding Bishop was desired to take order for communicating the action of the Bishops concerning the proposed resignation of the Bishop of South Carolina to the said Bishop, and to the Standing Committee of that Diocese.

The Bishops assembled under Title I., Canon 19, § xv. [3], having completed their business, the Minutes were read and approved, and the meeting adjourned.

J. WILLIAMS, *Presiding Bishop*.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

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The roll being called, it was found that forty-four Bishops were present, as follows: The Bishop of Connecticut (Presiding Bishop), the Bishops of Rhode Island, Western New York, Maine, Missouri, Oregon, Central New York, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, South Dakota, North Carolina, Northern Texas, Kentucky, New Jersey, Southern Ohio, Chicago, Iowa, Quincy, West Virginia, Springfield, Newark, Pittsburgh, Indiana, New York, Southern Virginia, North Dakota, the Assistant Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, the Bishops of Maryland, Nebraska, Florida, Wyoming and Idaho, Easton, Western Texas, Nevada and Utah, New Mexico and Arizona, the Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Bishops of Fond du Lac, Ohio, Michigan, Louisiana, Milwaukee, Georgia, the Assistant Bishop of Springfield, and the Bishop of Oklahoma.

The Bishop of Oklahoma, the Rt. Rev. Francis Key Brooks, D.D., consecrated since the last meeting of the House, was presented by the Bishops of Missouri and Southern Ohio, and welcomed by the Presiding Bishop.

The Presiding Bishop announced the death, on the twenty-third day of January last, of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Phillips Brooks, Bishop of Massachusetts; and he thereupon bade the House to pray, using the form prescribed in the Rules of Order.

The Bishop of Pittsburgh offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to convey to the Bishop of Delaware the assurance of the loving sympathy of his brethren in his recent misfortune and enforced retirement from duty, and of their sincere regret that he cannot meet with them at this time;

which was adopted.

The Presiding Bishop laid before the House a letter from the Rev. William Reed Thomas, D.D., declining his election as Bishop of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan.

The Bishop of Michigan offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient at this time to proceed to elect a Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan.

The Bishop of Maryland moved that the resolution be amended by the substitution of the following:

Resolved, That all action with reference to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Michigan be postponed till the next meeting of the General Convention.

The question being on the proposed amendment, it was adopted.

The resolution, as thus amended, was then adopted.

The Bishop of Rhode Island moved that when the House adjourn, it adjourn to meet at Grace Church at ten o'clock to-morrow morning, for the administration of the Holy Communion; which was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, and by a unanimous vote, Rule XXIII. of the Rules of Order was suspended.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The nominations which had been made in Council for the Episcopate of the Missionary Jurisdictions of Yedo and Shanghai were reported to the House; and, on motion, they were referred to the Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops. [See p. 396.]

The Chairman of the House announced, as members of said Committee, the Bishops of Kentucky, Maryland, Wyoming and Idaho, Ohio, and Louisiana.

On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, March 2, 1893.

The House of Bishops, pursuant to adjournment, assembled in Grace Church at ten o'clock.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Chairman of the House, the Presiding Bishop pronouncing the Absolution and the Benediction, and the Bishop of Missouri assisting in the administration.

Divine Service being ended, the House met in the Chantry of Grace Church. Present, as yesterday.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Bishop of Kentucky, from the Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops, presented a report on the nominations for the Episcopate of the Jurisdictions of Yedo and Shanghai.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

On motion, it was voted that the House proceed to ballot for a Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Yedo.

The House being bidden to prayer by the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop of Western New York read one of the appointed Scripture Lessons, and the Chairman read the prescribed office of prayer.

The Assistant Bishop of Springfield and the Bishop of Oklahoma were appointed tellers.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Rev. John McKim, a Presbyterian of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Yedo, was found to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Presiding Bishop to have been elected Missionary Bishop of Yedo.

The Bishop of South Dakota offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary be and is hereby instructed, when a Presbyterian shall have been consecrated to the Bishopric of Yedo, to communicate to him at once the resolutions of the House of Bishops regarding the division of the Jurisdiction, as found on page 109 of the Journal of 1892;

which was adopted.

On motion, it was voted that the House proceed to ballot for a Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Shanghai.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Rev. Frederick R. Graves, a Presbyterian of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Shanghai, was found to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Presiding Bishop to have been elected Missionary Bishop of Shanghai.

On motion of the Bishop of New York, the Secretary was instructed to send despatches by cable, notifying the Bishops elect of Yedo and Shanghai of their election.

On motion of the Bishop of Springfield, and by a unanimous vote, the thanks of the House were offered to the Bishop of New York for his hospitality in receiving and entertaining the members of the House at its present session.

On motion, the House took a recess, to meet at the Diocesan House at three o'clock.

After the recess the House assembled at the Diocesan House.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House desires to place upon record the expression of its deep conviction that legislation calculated to bear specially and hardly upon the Chinese race is not only essentially unjust and in violation of the most venerable traditions of our government, but is also likely to precipitate an antagonism to American citizens resident in China, which may lead speedily to the expulsion of all such residents in China, and to the ultimate prohibition of the extension of American civilization or any of its benefits to that great Empire;

which was unanimously adopted.

The Bishop of Springfield offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this House appoint a Committee of five Bishops to present to the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, and other authorities of the Government at Washington at their discretion, the resolution touching the Chinese just passed by this House, and to use all their urgency to arrest the execution of the laws to go into operation May 6, 1893.

Resolved, That said Committee consist of the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop of New York, and the Bishop of Maryland;

both which resolutions were adopted. [See p. 409.]

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House hereby re-affirms the conviction implied in the action of the Board of Missions at its late session in Baltimore, that it is not competent to the Government of the United States, under the provisions of the Constitution, to make, nor of any religious body to accept, appropriations for the maintenance of missions or schools; and that the Bishops desire especially to commend to the support of the

Clergy and people of this Church those schools and missions under its care, on behalf of which the Church has declined to accept Government appropriations;

which was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of New York, it was voted that a Commission of five Bishops be appointed, of whom the Presiding Bishop shall be Chairman, with instructions to prepare a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church on the general subject of the resolution last adopted.

The Chairman of the House being absent, the Bishop of Quincy was elected Chairman *pro tempore*; and he appointed, as members of the Commission, the Bishops of Western New York, Kentucky, Chicago, and Maryland.

On motion, the Bishop of New York was elected by the House an additional member of the Commission; but, at his request, he was excused from serving.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, it was voted, that before the publication of the proposed Pastoral Letter a proof-copy be sent to each Bishop of the Church for his suggestions in regard to the same.

The Bishop of North Dakota offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of five Bishops be appointed to wait upon the President of the United States, and at their discretion upon other officers of the Government, as soon as may be after the inauguration of the new administration, in order to present for their consideration the convictions of this House on the whole subject;

which was adopted.

The Chairman *pro tempore* appointed, as such Committee, the Bishops of New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, and Georgia. [See p. 406.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

A message was received from the Bishop of Delaware expressing his grateful acknowledgment of the resolution of sympathy adopted yesterday.

The Minutes of the day's session were read and approved.

After devotions, the Presiding Bishop pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned without day.

J. WILLIAMS, *Presiding Bishop*.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

HELD IN NEW YORK, OCTOBER, 1894.

CHURCH MISSIONS HOUSE, NEW YORK,
Wednesday, October 17, 1894.

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The roll being called, it was found that forty-seven members of the House were present, to wit: the Bishop of Connecticut (Presiding Bishop), the Bishops of Minnesota, Western New York, Maine, Missouri, Albany, Central New York, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, Northern Texas, Kentucky, Chicago, Iowa, Quincy, West Virginia, Springfield, Newark, Pittsburgh, Indiana, New York, North Dakota, East Carolina, the Assistant Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, the Bishops of Maryland, Nebraska, the Assistant Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishops of Kansas, Wyoming and Idaho, Western Texas, Nevada and Utah, Delaware, Fond du Lac, Ohio, West Missouri, the Assistant Bishop of Alabama, the Bishops of Louisiana, Georgia, the Assistant Bishop of Springfield, the Bishops of Texas, Spokane, Southern Florida, Western Colorado, the Assistant Bishop of South Carolina, the Bishops of Massachusetts, North Carolina, Vermont, and the Assistant Bishop of Virginia.

Eight Bishops, consecrated since the last meeting of the General Convention, were presented to the House:

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Lemuel Henry Wells, Bishop of Spokane, presented by the Bishop of New Hampshire;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. William Crane Gray, Bishop of Southern Florida, presented by the Bishop of Kentucky;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. William Morris Barker, Bishop of Western Colorado, presented by the Assistant Bishop of Minnesota;

Clergy and people of this Church those schools and missions under its care, on behalf of which the Church has declined to accept Government appropriations;

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The Bishop of North Dakota offered the following resolution:

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which was adopted.

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The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

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The Rt. Rev. Dr. William Crane Gray, Bishop of Southern Florida, presented by the Bishop of Kentucky;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. William Morris Barker, Bishop of Western Colorado, presented by the Assistant Bishop of Minnesota;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Ellison Capers, Assistant Bishop of South Carolina, presented by the Bishop of East Carolina ;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. William Lawrence, Bishop of Massachusetts, presented by the Bishop of Albany ;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Joseph Blount Cheshire, Jr., Bishop of North Carolina, presented by the Bishop of East Carolina ;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Arthur Crawshay Alliston Hall, Bishop of Vermont, presented by the Bishops of Delaware and Fond du Lac ;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. John Brackenborough Newton, Assistant Bishop of Virginia, presented by the Bishops of Kentucky and Western Virginia ;

and the Bishops presented were welcomed by the Presiding Bishop.

The Presiding Bishop announced that five members of the House had departed this life since the meeting of the House in March, 1893, to wit :

The Rt. Rev. Dr. William Ingraham Kip, Bishop of California, died April 7, 1893 ;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. William Henry Augustus Bissell, Bishop of Vermont, died May 14, 1893 ;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Alexander Gregg, Bishop of Texas, died July 11, 1893 ;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Theodore Benedict Lyman, Bishop of North Carolina, died December 13, 1893 ;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. John Adams Paddock, Bishop of Olympia, died March 4, 1894 ;

Also, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Horatio Southgate, sometime Missionary Bishop in Turkey, died April 12, 1894 ;

and he thereupon bade the House to prayer, using the form prescribed in the Rules of Order.

The Presiding Bishop read a letter from the Rector of Christ Church, Philadelphia, enclosing a resolution of the Rector, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen of said church, loaning to the Church Missions House the chair occupied by Bishop White in presiding over the deliberations of the general Missionary Society of the Church for many years, that it might be occupied by the Presiding Bishop at the present meeting of the House of Bishops.

The Bishop of Albany moved that a Committee be appointed to report a resolution with reference to this communication ; which was adopted. [See p. 402.]

The Chair appointed, as said Committee, the Bishops of Albany, Iowa, and East Carolina.

The Bishop of Maine moved that the House proceed to the consideration of the business contemplated in the call for the meeting; to wit, to take action in regard to the vacancy in the Episcopate of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Olympia; which was adopted.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

At mid-day, the Bishops attended prayers in the Chapel of the Missions House.

The Council having risen, on motion, the House took a recess.

The House reassembled after the recess.

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the question of the election of a Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Olympia be postponed to the next General Convention; and that the Presiding Bishop be requested to continue the charge of said vacant Missionary Jurisdiction by commission;

which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Maine offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House now proceed to the election of a Bishop to have jurisdiction in the Missionary District of Olympia;

which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Maine offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That under the provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [2], the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Western Colorado be so extended as to include that of the Missionary District of Olympia;

which was not adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Maine, the House reconsidered the resolution that the House proceed to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Olympia; and it was voted that nominations be received for the said Bishopric.

The roll was called, and certain nominations were made; which, on motion, were referred to the Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops. [See p. 403.]

The Chairman of the House appointed the Bishop of Texas to fill a vacancy in the said Standing Committee.

The Bishop of Albany offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider and report to this House to-morrow morning upon the eligibility to a

The Bishop of Delaware moved that the consideration of this resolution be postponed till the next meeting of the House of Bishops; which was not adopted.

The question recurring on the resolution offered by the Bishop of Maryland, it was adopted.

At eleven o'clock the Holy Communion was celebrated in the Chapel of the Church Missions House by the Bishop of New York, assisted by the Bishop of Quincy and the Bishop of Vermont.

The House having reassembled, on motion of the Assistant Bishop of Minnesota, the Order of the Day was postponed.

The Assistant Bishop of Minnesota offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev. Dr. William Morris Barker be relieved from the exercise of Episcopal functions in the Missionary District of Western Colorado, and that he be directed to exercise Episcopal functions in the Missionary District of Olympia.

The Bishop of Nevada and Utah moved that the consideration of this resolution be postponed till 2:30 o'clock; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Western New York moved that the Bishops go into Council; which was not adopted.

The question recurring on the resolution offered by the Assistant Bishop of Minnesota, the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Bishops voting in the affirmative were the Bishops of Connecticut, Minnesota, Western New York, Maine, Albany, Central New York, Kentucky, West Virginia, Pittsburgh, Indiana, East Carolina, Maryland, Nebraska, the Assistant Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishops of Western Texas, Fond du Lac, West Missouri, Spokane, Southern Florida, the Assistant Bishop of South Carolina, the Bishops of Massachusetts and North Carolina — 22.

The Bishops voting in the negative were the Bishops of Missouri, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, Northern Texas, Chicago, Iowa, Quincy, Springfield, Newark, New York, North Dakota, Kansas, Wyoming and Idaho, Nevada and Utah, Delaware, Ohio, the Assistant Bishops of Alabama and Springfield, the Bishops of Texas and Vermont — 20.

The resolution was therefore adopted.

The Bishop of Quincy offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That if the Rt. Rev. Dr. Barker shall accept the appointment to exercise Episcopal functions in the Missionary District of Olympia, his title shall be Bishop of Olympia;

which was adopted.

The Secretary was directed to give notice of this action to the Rt. Rev. Dr. Barker, to the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions, and to the proper authorities in the Jurisdictions of Western Colorado and Olympia.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House took a recess.

The House reassembled after the recess.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of Fond du Lac offered a resolution proposing that the following be added to Title I., Canon 19, § ii. :

Every Bishop elect, before the presiding Bishop proceed to give order for his consecration, shall present to the House of Bishops his subscription to the faith of the one Catholic and Apostolic Church, as follows :

I, N. N., Bishop elect of the Diocese of N., do *ex animo* accept and firmly believe the faith of the one Catholic and Apostolic Church, as revealed in Holy Writ, maintained by the undivided Church, defined in the Apostolic and Nicene Creeds, and affirmed by the undisputed Œcumenical councils: (Lambeth Conf. 1888.)

Specially, I do *ex animo* accept and firmly believe those dogmatic definitions whereby those Œcumenical councils did clearly explain the true sense and meaning of the Nicene Creed :

And for the clearer explication of this my subscription to the faith, I do here profess that I believe and worship "one God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity; Neither confounding the Persons: nor dividing the Substance. For there is one Person of the Father, another of the Son: and another of the Holy Ghost. But the Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, is all One: the Glory equal, the Majesty co-eternal. Such as the Father is, such is the Son: and such is the Holy Ghost. The Father uncreate, the Son uncreate: and the Holy Ghost uncreate. The Father incomprehensible, the Son incomprehensible: and the Holy Ghost incomprehensible. The Father eternal, the Son eternal: and the Holy Ghost eternal. And yet They are not three eternals: but One Eternal. As also there are not three incomprehensibles, nor three uncreated: but One Uncreated, and One Incomprehensible. So likewise the Father is Almighty, the Son Almighty: and the Holy Ghost Almighty. And yet They are not three almighties: but One Almighty. So the Father is God, the Son is God: and the Holy Ghost is God. And yet They are not three gods: but One God. So likewise the Father is Lord, the Son Lord: and the Holy Ghost Lord. And yet not three lords: but One Lord. For like as we are compelled by the Christian Verity: to acknowledge every Person by Himself to be God and Lord; So we are forbidden by the Catholick Religion: to say, There be three gods, or three lords.

"The Father is made of none: neither created, nor begotten. The Son is of the Father alone: not made, nor created, but begotten. The Holy Ghost is of the Father and of the Son: neither made, nor created, nor

begotten, but Proceeding. So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons: one Holy Ghost, not three Holy Ghosts. And in this Trinity none is afore, or after other: none is greater, or less than another; But the whole Three Persons are co-eternal together: and co-equal. So that in all things, as is aforesaid: the Unity in Trinity, and the Trinity in Unity is to be worshipped. He therefore that will be saved: must thus think of the Trinity. Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting Salvation: that he also believe rightly the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ. For the right Faith is, that we believe and confess: that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is God and Man. God, of the substance of the Father, begotten before the worlds; and man of the substance of His Mother, born in the world; Perfect God, and perfect Man: of a reasonable soul and human flesh subsisting; Equal to the Father, as touching His Godhead: and Inferior to the Father, as touching His Manhood. Who although He be God and Man: yet He is not two, but One Christ; One; not by conversion of the Godhead into flesh: but by taking of the Manhood into God. One altogether; not by confusion of Substance: but by unity of Person. For as the reasonable soul and flesh is one man: so God and Man is One Christ; Who suffered for our salvation: descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead. He ascended into heaven, He sitteth on the right hand of the Father, God Almighty: from whence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. At Whose coming all men shall rise again with their bodies: and shall give account for their own works. And they that have done good shall go into life everlasting: and they that have done evil into everlasting fire." This Catholic faith I believe and will steadfastly maintain and defend.

N. N., BISHOP ELECT OF THE DIOCESE OF N.

which, on his motion, was referred to the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons.

The Bishop of Nevada and Utah offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the subject of the redistribution of the territory now included in the limits of the Domestic Missionary Districts be referred to the Standing Committee on Domestic Missions, to report to this House at the next General Convention;

which was adopted. [See p. 94.]

On motion of the Bishop of New York, in accordance with notice given yesterday, Rule XXIII. of the Rules of Order was amended by striking out the word "third" in the second line.

On motion of the Bishop of Fond du Lac, the Secretary was instructed to have the Rules of Order and the Forms of Devotion printed for the use of the House.

The Bishop of New York, from the Committee appointed in March, 1893, to present for the consideration of the Government of the United States the convictions of this House in regard to sectarian appropriations for Indian schools, presented the following report [see p. 398]:

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 22, 1894.

The undersigned, a Committee of the House of Bishops appointed to bring to the notice of the Government of the United States the action of the Board of Missions of this Church in reference to the sectarian appropriations for Indian schools, and to urge upon the Department of the Interior the discontinuance of such appropriations, beg leave to report that, following the order of our Chairman, the Bishop of New Jersey, to prepare a document on this subject, the document was prepared by the Bishop of Georgia, and placed in the hands of the Secretary of the Interior; which document we, the Committee, have heard and heartily approved. The Committee met in the city of Washington on February 21, and after repeated conferences they reached unanimously the following conclusions:

1. That it was inexpedient to approach the President of the United States upon the subject, since the only power lodged in the President in any such connection is the veto power, for the application of which to such a case there is no precedent.

2. For substantially the same reasons it would be equally inexpedient to further urge the attention of the Secretary of the Interior, upon whom law and usage confer in the matter of appropriations only the power of a limited modification.

3. That the potential factors in the matter of appropriations on the one hand, and the matter of legality of such appropriations on the other, are the Committees of the two Houses of Congress, respectively, of Appropriations and of the Judiciary; and that the only effectual way of reaching the matter of sectarian appropriations, and of their constitutionality, would be to address those Houses by petition, remonstrance, or otherwise, and so to secure the reference of such address to its appropriate committee, and thus ultimately upon their recommendation, should such recommendation be made, Congressional action.

In accordance with these conclusions our Committee prepared an address to the Committees of the two Houses of Congress on the Judiciary and on Appropriations, as follows:

DOCUMENT 1.

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by and representing the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, of whose loyalty as citizens and conservatism of our National institutions you must be well aware, respectfully petition your honourable body to recommend the passage of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States which shall set at rest the conflict, of constantly increasing proportions, growing out of an apparent desire to influence legislation in favour of some particular church or sect, and to emphasize and perpetuate the complete separation of the Church and State in unmistakable terms. It must be apparent that there is continual struggle for the mastery in the forces which can be brought to bear for the aid of sectarian institutions. While thoroughly convinced that the spirit of the 1st Amendment is intended to guard against these tendencies, the interpretation of this amendment varies so widely in practice as to admit of discrimination between the churches or sects.

To guard against the danger of warring sects, and to discourage the attempt at ascendancy of one or another, we respectfully urge the need of a 16th Amendment, which shall at once preserve men in the free exercise of the religion of their choice, and prevent the use of property, credit, or income, of the United States, or of any State, for the purpose of founding or maintaining, wholly or in part, any church or religious

denomination, or any society, institution, undertaking, or ministration, which is wholly or in part under denominational, sectarian, or ecclesiastical control.

JOHN SCARBOROUGH, *Bishop of New Jersey.*

H. C. POTTER, *Bishop of New York.*

WILLIAM D. WALKER, *Bishop of North Dakota.*

WILLIAM A. LEONARD, *Bishop of Ohio.*

C. KINLOCH NELSON, *Bishop of Georgia.*

DOCUMENT 2.

We, the undersigned, a Committee representing the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, an organization of whose loyalty as citizens and conservatism of our National rights and liberties you are well aware, respectfully petition your honourable body to take under consideration the subject of government appropriations to sectarian schools and institutions of all kinds, and especially the contract schools now in vogue among the Indians, and, if it so please you, to report unfavourably to all grants to or to contracts with religious denominations of whatever name, under whatsoever form or pretext they may be sought.

The Committee on Appropriations is doubtless acquainted with the fact that within the past eight years, 1886 to 1893, out of the sum total of Government appropriations for Indian schools, \$3,774,261, one denomination has enjoyed \$2,372,726, while all other schools and institutions, national and otherwise, but \$1,401,525 — almost twice as much as all other schools put together, without the ability to show correspondingly good results. The proportion of receipts of this denomination, as last reported by the Indian Commissioner in 1894, is \$365,845, or 2.77 times as much as all other schools put together. It is manifest that there is widespread and increasing dissatisfaction with the letting of contracts by the United States Government to religious societies for the ostensible purpose of educating the Indians, but in many instances, as the last Commissioner of Indian Affairs pointed out, "for the propagation of the particular form of faith held by the Church responsible for the school," the other and main object being "secondary and remote." Thoroughly convinced that the whole system of government contracts with sectarian institutions contravenes the spirit of the 1st Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, the Protestant Episcopal Church has placed itself upon record in its Board of Missions, which is the propagating society of this Church, and in the House of Bishops, its highest deliberative body, as discountenancing the receiving of Government appropriations, and has declined to ask for a continuance of such subsidies, although at a great loss to the mission work of the Church. This special Committee has been charged by the House of Bishops with the duty of presenting to the Government of the United States the earnest protest and objection of a large and patriotic constituency. In behalf of that House this Committee enters into plea with the Committee on Appropriations, to cut off all such appropriations and thus set at rest the conflict growing out of the discriminations made in the appropriations made for Indian education, and assist to emphasize and perpetuate the entire separation of Church and State in these United States of America.

JOHN SCARBOROUGH, *Bishop of New Jersey.*

H. C. POTTER, *Bishop of New York.*

WILLIAM D. WALKER, *Bishop of North Dakota.*

WILLIAM A. LEONARD, *Bishop of Ohio.*

C. KINLOCH NELSON, *Bishop of Georgia.*

FEBRUARY 21, 1894.

In conclusion, your Committee beg leave to express their strong conviction that the abandonment of the present evil usage in the matter of sectarian appropriations will largely depend upon the awakening and strengthening of a sound public sentiment upon this most imperative matter of the absolute and complete dis-association of the State from the Church, or any religious body claiming to be the Church, in all matters which are without the province of the State, and clearly implied and expressed by the framers of the Constitution; and that the duty of awakening and deepening such a public sentiment throughout this land is a foremost duty of every Churchman in his capacity of a loyal citizen and an honest man.

JOHN SCARBOROUGH, *Bishop of New Jersey.*

H. C. POTTER, *Bishop of New York.*

WILLIAM D. WALKER, *Bishop of North Dakota.*

WILLIAM A. LEONARD, *Bishop of Ohio.*

C. KINLOCH NELSON, *Bishop of Georgia.*

FEBRUARY 21, 1894.

Attest:

CLELAND KINLOCH NELSON, *Bishop of Georgia.*

On motion of the Bishop of New York, the Committee was discharged.

The Bishop of Maryland, from the Committee appointed in March, 1893, to present to the authorities of the Government of the United States a resolution passed by the House with reference to the treatment of the Chinese, reported that the Committee had performed the duty with which it was entrusted; and, on his motion, the Committee was discharged. [See p. 397.]

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, the Secretary was desired to write to the Bishop of New Jersey, detained by illness from the session of the House, and to assure him of the sympathy and affection of his brethren.

The Assistant Bishop of South Carolina presented to the House the affectionate greetings of the Bishop of South Carolina, detained by infirmity from the session of the House; and, on motion of the Bishop of Springfield, the Secretary was desired to communicate to the Bishop of South Carolina, through the Assistant Bishop, the assurance of the sympathy and love of his brethren, and that they will not cease to have him in their prayers.

The Bishop of Delaware offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby express their grateful appreciation of the invitation of the Board of Managers by which they have been enabled to meet with so much satisfaction and convenience in the Church Missions House;

Resolved, That the thanks of the House be returned to those who so kindly and hospitably entertained them yesterday and to-day; which were adopted.

It was voted, That after the approval of the Minutes and the Benediction, the House adjourn without day.

The Minutes of the day's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Presiding Bishop pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned without day.

J. WILLIAMS, *Presiding Bishop*.

Attest :

SAMUEL HART, *Secretary*.

PASTORAL LETTER.*

To our beloved Clergy and Laity:

WE, your Bishops, having been assembled to take order, under the guidance of the Holy Ghost, for the extension of the Kingdom of God, have availed ourselves of the opportunity to meet in Council to consider our duty in view of certain novelties of opinion and expression, which have seemed to us to be subversive of the fundamental verities of Christ's Religion. It has come to our knowledge that the minds of many of the faithful Clergy and Laity are disturbed and distressed by these things; and we desire to comfort them by a firm assurance that the Episcopate of the Church, to which, in a peculiar manner, the deposit of Faith has been entrusted, is not unfaithful to that sacred charge, but will guard and keep it with all diligence, as men who shall hereafter give account to God. In the discharge of that pre-eminently sacred obligation of our office, we find ourselves constrained to address you on two cardinal truths of our holy Religion, not for the purpose of vindicating them, nor even to make an exhaustive exposition of them; but simply and plainly to set before you the truth of God which every minister of this Church has pledged himself to hold, teach, and defend, and to hand on unimpaired to those who shall come after us. It is a conviction of solemn duty which constrains us thus to address you at this time, and particularly to state what the Church requires all who minister in holy

* The undersigned set forth this Pastoral Letter in accordance with authority committed to them by their Brethren of the Episcopate assembled in Council in the City of New York on the eighteenth day of October, being the festival of St. Luke the Evangelist, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four.

J. WILLIAMS, *Bishop of Connecticut and Presiding Bishop.*

WM. CROSWELL DOANE, *Bishop of Albany.*

F. D. HUNTINGTON, *Bishop of Central New York.*

WM. E. MCLAREN, *Bishop of Chicago.*

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR, *Bishop of Springfield.*

HENRY C. POTTER, *Bishop of New York.*

things to hold and teach, first, concerning the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ, and secondly, concerning the Holy Scriptures, by sure and certain warrant of which the Catholic Faith is proved.

I. THE INCARNATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.

And, first, touching the Incarnation, and the Person and Natures of our Blessed Lord, this Church teaches and requires her ministers to teach, (1) in the words of the Creed, commonly called the Apostles' Creed, that Jesus Christ is the "Only Son" of God; in the words of the Creed, commonly called the Nicene Creed, that Jesus Christ is the "Only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father"; in the words of the proper Preface for Trinity-Sunday, in the Order for the Holy Communion, that "that which we believe of the glory of the Father, the same we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, without any difference or inequality"; and in the words of the second Article of Religion, that "the Son, which is the Word of the Father, begotten from everlasting of the Father," is "the very and eternal God, and of one substance with the Father"; (2) that this, the Second Person in the adorable Trinity, God from all eternity, was, in the words of the Creed, commonly called the Apostles' Creed, "conceived by the Holy Ghost," and "born of the Virgin Mary"; in the words of the Creed, commonly called the Nicene Creed, that He "came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man"; in the words of the *Te Deum*, that He did "humble" Himself "to be born of a Virgin"; in the words of the Collect for Christmas-day, that He "was born of a pure Virgin"; in the words of the proper Preface for Christmas-day, in the Order for the Holy Communion, that He was, "by the operation of the Holy Ghost, made very man, of the substance of the Virgin Mary His mother, and that without spot of sin"; and, in the words of the second Article of Religion, affirming the decrees of the Councils of Ephesus and Chalcedon, that He "took Man's nature in the

womb of the Blessed Virgin, of her substance ; so that two whole and perfect Natures, that is to say, the Godhead and Manhood, were joined together in one Person, never to be divided, whereof is one Christ, very God and very Man."

This doctrine, held by the Church from the earliest ages as revealed and taught in Holy Scripture, witnessed to and defined against all attacks of error by the four great General Councils of the undivided Church, is held by this Church as the fundamental doctrine of Christianity. It has been well said that "this was the real contribution of the General Councils to human history : the more and more explicit reassertion of the Incarnation as a mystery indeed, but as a fact. The various heresies which attempted to make the Incarnation more intelligible, in reality explained it away ; while Council after Council, though freely adopting new phraseology, never claimed to do more than give explicit expression to that which the Church from the beginning had implicitly believed. Their undoubted purpose, as viewed by themselves, was to define and guard, and to define only in order to guard, what they conceived to be the essence of Christianity." It is never to be forgotten that the doctrinal statements of the undivided Church are in no sense an enlargement of, or addition to, the domain of the Faith, but only a defence and definition of the same.

This is in strict accordance with the teaching of Holy Scripture. When the Apostle, writing to the Ephesians, would designate the final authority in matters of the Faith, he said, "Ye have not so learned Christ"; and when St. John wrote to the elect lady his burning appeal for steadfastness in the Faith, he summed it up in these words : "He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath the Father and the Son." It is not enough to learn *about* Christ ; it is not enough to know what Christ taught or what is taught about Him ; it is Christ that is to be learned ; it is the Christ in whom we are to abide ; Christ as revealed in Holy Scripture ; Christ as the fact of experience ; Christ as the hinge of human history ; Christ as the central and cardinal point of the Creed, which must be read backward and forward from Him : backward

to reveal "God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth," and forward to teach us and to give us "the Holy Ghost, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the Forgiveness of Sins, the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life everlasting."

Unless our Lord Jesus Christ is firmly held to be God's own true and proper Son, equal to the Father as touching His Godhead, and to be also the true Son of the Blessed Virgin, by miraculous conception and birth, taking our very manhood of her substance, we sinners have no true and adequate Mediator; our nature has no restored union with God; we have no sacrifice for our sins in full atonement and propitiation, holy and acceptable to God; for our moral weakness and incapacity there is no fountain of cleansing, renewal, and re-creation after the measure and pattern of a perfect manhood. The assertion of the Catholic doctrine of the Incarnation — the one indivisible Personality of the Son of God Incarnate, the Word made flesh and dwelling among us — is the antidote of the false teaching of our day, which is simply the revival of the old heresy of the self-perfectibility of man. For the miraculous Virgin-birth, while it is alone befitting to God, in assuming our nature into personal union with Himself, marks off and separates the whole of our humanity as tainted by that very corruption of original sin, which had no place in human nature as that nature was assumed by our Blessed Lord in His Incarnation.

We are moved to impress upon the minds of the people committed to our charge, and of the teachers commissioned by our authority to teach them, that these plain statements of Holy Scripture and of the authoritative Formularies of the Church require a plain and full acceptance of the facts that the human conception and birth of our Lord Jesus Christ was accomplished by the miraculous operation of the Holy Ghost, and that the Humanity in His one Person is wholly derived from the substance of the Blessed Virgin Mary, His mother. Only so could He be the "Seed of the woman" that was to bruise the serpent's head; only so could He fulfil the prophecies, "A woman shall compass a

man," and "Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son"; only so can the angelic annunciation be understood, "The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee; therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God"; only thus can we accept the statement of St. Matthew, "She was found with child of the Holy Ghost," and the angel's assertion, recorded by the Evangelist, "That which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost"; only so can we grasp as it should be grasped the revelation in the Gospel according to St. John, "The Word was God; and the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth."

This true doctrine of the Incarnation is not only the cardinal and fundamental doctrine of the Christian Faith, but it includes and involves all of our Lord's redemptive work; His one Sacrifice for all the sins of the whole world, both original and actual; His Resurrection from the dead; His Ascension into Heaven; His Intercession; and the glory of His eternal Kingdom. When the grace of God is poured into our hearts to know the Incarnation of His Son Jesus Christ, it leads us, by His Cross and Passion to the glory of His Resurrection.

Of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Church teaches, in the Creeds commonly called the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds, that "the third day He rose again from the dead according to the Scriptures"; and in the fourth Article of Religion that He "did truly rise again from death, and took again His body, with flesh, bones, and all things appertaining to the perfection of man's nature." The teaching of the New Testament gathers the whole fact and force of the apostolic evidence about this truth. The Apostles were ordained to be "witnesses of the Resurrection." By every test of enmity overcome, of unbelief converted, and of love and longing satisfied and convinced, Christ moves through the New Testament Scriptures, "the first-begotten of the dead," His voice, His wounds, His words, and His familiar ways all testifying to His identity: "Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself; handle Me and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones,

as ye see Me have ” ; “ I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures ; and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures ; and that He was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve ; after that, He was seen of above five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep ; after that He was seen of James, then of all the Apostles ; and last of all He was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.”

This Church nowhere teaches, and does not tolerate the teaching, that the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ was a so-called spiritual resurrection, which took place when the vital union of His mortal body and His human soul was dissolved by death, and that the fleshly tabernacle saw corruption in the grave and was turned to dust. This would be to make the Resurrection take place from the Cross and not from the sepulchre. This would make void the purport and the power of the great argument of the Apostle in the Epistle to the Hebrews, as to the eternal Priesthood of the risen and ascended Lord, Who “ ever liveth to make intercession for us,” Who “ by His own blood entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us,” and by the power of His prevailing intercession has given us “ boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which He hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, His flesh ” ; it would mar the Human Nature of Christ, and tend to the dividing of His one Person, or to the commingling of His two Natures ; it would blot out the vision vouchsafed to the Apostle and Evangelist St. John, of the “ Lamb as it had been slain,” and it would silence the unceasing song of the redeemed : “ Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation.”

We have not undertaken to discuss these great doctrinal questions in detail ; nor are we delivering our private and personal opinion on these vital subjects. We are speaking, not as truth-seekers, but as truth-receivers, “ ambassadors in bonds ” ; even as St. Paul says, “ That which we also received deliver we unto you.”

Our sole inquiry is : What does this Church teach? What is the declaration of God's Holy Word?

And here we rest ; for the Priest's vow is to minister the Doctrine, as well as the Sacraments and the Discipline of Christ, "as this Church hath received the same," and because she hath received it "according to the commandments of God." And the true lover of God, the Theophilus, who would "know the certainty of those things" wherein he is instructed, who would have "a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us," must receive them as they "delivered them unto us which were eyewitnesses and ministers of the Word."

It should be borne in mind by all — Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Laymen — that the facts and truths which lie at the basis of the religion of Christ are eternal facts and eternal truths, stamped with the assurance which Divine infallibility gives. A Revelation, the conditions of which should be pliable to the caprices of speculative thought, would be thereby voided of all that makes revelation final and sure. A Creed whose statements could be changed to accord with the shifting currents of opinion or sentiment, or with the trend of thought in each succeeding generation, would cease to command and guide the loyalty of the people, and would not be worthy of the respect of mankind. The Creeds of the Catholic Church do not represent the contemporaneous thought of any age ; they declare eternal truths, telling what God has taught man and done for man, rather than what man has thought out for himself about God. They are voices from above, from Him "with Whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning," and, as such, are entitled to our implicit faith. Grave peril to souls lies in the acceptance of the letter of the Creeds in any other than the plain and definitely historical sense in which they have been interpreted by the consentient voice of the Church in all ages. Fixedness of interpretation is of the essence of the Creeds, whether we view them as statements of facts, or as dogmatic truths founded upon and deduced from these facts, and once for all determined by the operation of the Holy Ghost upon the mind of the Church. It were derogatory to the same Blessed Spirit to suggest that any

other than the original sense of the Creeds may be lawfully held and taught. It becomes us, moreover, to consider that Christianity reconstructed as to its Faith must logically admit a reconstruction of the ethics, the spiritual life, the worship, the ministerial and sacramental agencies, and the good works which have ever been the benign products of the ancient truths. Such results we see in unhappy abundance all around us; and they do not encourage us to think that it is possible to improve the Christianity of our Lord and Saviour. There is no Christ save the Christ of the Catholic Faith; and it is the blessing of this Christ, "the same yesterday, and to-day, and for ever," upon this Faith "once for all delivered to the Saints," which assures to the Church and the world all that ennobles, beautifies, and saves man.

II. THE INSPIRATION OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES.

There is a manifest analogy between the embodiment of the revealed Word of God in the terms of human thought and the tabernacling of the Personal Word of God in our flesh. Yet, at the threshold of our consideration of the Holy Scriptures, we are constrained to observe this plain and evident distinction: that while the Church, in her Creeds and Standards, has clearly and precisely defined not only the *fact*, but the *method*, of the Incarnation of Christ, she has confined herself to a positive assertion of the *fact* of the inspiration of Holy Scripture, without any definition of its *mode*, or the exposition of any theory concerning it. Nevertheless, the declaration of the fact of Inspiration is unequivocal. The Creed expressly declares that "the Holy Ghost spake by the Prophets"; the sixth Article of Religion teaches that "Holy Scripture containeth all things necessary to salvation"; the Declaration for Orders signed by every authorized teacher of the Church commands him to teach that "the Holy Scriptures are the Word of God"; and the ordination vows solemnly taken, in the presence of God and of His Church, by every Priest and Bishop, bind them to the statement that the same Scriptures "contain all Doctrine required as necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ."

Certain points must be first fixed in the consciousness of all reverent students of God's Holy Word. Concerning the Scriptures of the elder Covenant, our Lord authenticated the teaching of the ancient Church, to which "were committed the oracles of God," by His public and official use of the Canon of the Old Testament Scriptures, as we know it to have been read in the Synagogue worship of the Jews of His time. Nor may we forget that He Himself, *after His Resurrection*, declared that these Scriptures testified of Him, specifying them in detail to the two disciples on the way to Emmaus, when, "beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself," and more fully still, when standing with the assembled Apostles He said, "These are the words which I spake unto you while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled which are written in the Law of Moses, and in the Prophets, and in the Psalms, concerning Me."

The Scriptures of the New Covenant contain equally strong and clear statements of the Inspiration of the whole Canon: as when St. Paul says, "Whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning"; and St. Peter, "Holy men of God spake as they were moved [borne on] by the Holy Ghost"; and again St. Paul, with direct reference to the Scriptures of the New Covenant, declares in the first Epistle to the Corinthians, "Which things we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth, comparing [combining] spiritual things with spiritual." This is but the realization of our Lord's promise, from which all examination of the meaning of the peculiar and unique Inspiration of the writers of the New Testament Scriptures ought to begin. It is the men who are inspired, and not primarily the book; and it was to the men that our Lord gave the promise and assurance of Inspiration, when He said: "The Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, Whom the Father will send in My Name, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you"; "When He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth"; "He shall glorify Me, for He shall receive of Mine, and

and confirm, but to undermine and weaken faith. This danger exists, and, unless it shall be conscientiously avoided by every teacher of the Church, the coming generations may live to see "a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord."

The Inspiration of the Holy Scriptures is a postulate of faith, not a corollary of criticism. It cannot lawfully be questioned by any Christian man, and least of all by men who have sealed their conviction of the certainty of the Faith with the solemn vows of Ordination. Outside of the domain of faith, there may be undetermined questions touching matters which, to some minds, may seem to be almost essential to the integrity of the Christian scheme, but which cannot be necessary to salvation. In this border-land, thinking minds will appreciate and reverently and conscientiously use the freedom which is accorded to them; but they will not carry their liberty over into the realm of adjudicated truth. Their obligations to God, as men and as priests, bind them in a holy and blessed servitude to the truth; and a consciousness of their own honest loyalty is essential to their self-respect.

Under the instruction of their Divine Master, the first ambassadors of Christ knew how fruitless even a high degree of evangelic activity must be without unflinching loyalty to a body of Doctrine once for all delivered and received. In the ages all along, since the first Council was held in Jerusalem, the safety and honour of the Church have been endangered as much by the inroads of disbelief in revelation, and by lax constructions of creeds and oaths of allegiance, as by the idolatry of the East, or the barbarism of the West.

Not less plain is this condition, and not less sharp is the test of obedience, in this land and at this time, in the matter of the Church's formularies of worship. Seductions to lawlessness abounding in a civilization showy rather than strong, in communities of eager enterprise, intellectual pride, social agitation, and vast material opportunities, lay upon the Church a solemn obligation to abide steadfastly in the unchanging principles of her commission and her confessions, and in the dignity and simplicity of

her acknowledged offices and standards ; not forgetting that spiritual life must decay, not only when pledges are emptied of their meaning, but when formularies are maimed of their integrity. No specious plea of progress, liberty, independence, or comprehension can weaken in the least the constraining obligation of a covenant of conformity. A heresy which would seek at the Altar protection from the penalty of a violated vow forfeits the respect and tenderness due to honest doubt. We therefore earnestly entreat you, dear Brethren of the Clergy, that you “stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made you free,” that you “declare the whole counsel of God,” as this Church hath received the same, that you exercise discipline without fear, “not handling the Word of God deceitfully,” “holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience,” and “by manifestation of the truth commending yourselves to every man’s conscience in the sight of God.”

So exhorting you, dearly beloved in the Lord, and beseeching the Father of mercies to “stablish, strengthen, and settle” you and the flocks entrusted to our care, we “commend you to God, and to the Word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.”

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

IN accordance with the requirements of Title I., Canon 17, Section 3, of the Digest, the Committee on the State of the Church respectfully submit the following report: —

Since the last General Convention ten of the Bishops and many of the Clergy and faithful laymen of this Church have been called from their labours on earth to the rest of Paradise. Three Bishops whose lot it was to spend many years in the Episcopate, the Bishops of California, Texas, and Vermont, three others whose ministry in Holy Orders had been prolonged, the Bishops of South Carolina, Central Pennsylvania, and North Carolina, and four others whose Episcopates were comparatively brief, yet fruitful, the Bishops of Olympia, Indiana, Kansas, and Massachusetts, have been summoned to lay down their staffs. And so with the other Clergy departed hence, death hath claimed now this one, now that, the young and strong and vigorous, the aged who were but tarrying for their call.

Into the room of these have come others. Fourteen Bishops have been consecrated. Four of these to serve Missionary Districts, erected at the last General Convention, the Bishops of Spokane, Southern Florida, Oklahoma, and Western Colorado, the latter since translated to Olympia. Six Bishops have been consecrated for vacant Sees, the Bishops of Tokyo, Shanghai, Massachusetts, Vermont, Indiana, and Kansas, and four as Bishops Coadjutor in the Dioceses of South Carolina, Tennessee, North Carolina, and Virginia. We may also note that as a consequent to action had in this General Convention we may anticipate the election of six other Bishops in the immediate future.

The Diocesan reports of all of our Dioceses and Missionary Districts have been received. We regret that a number of them were not forwarded in the time required by law, whereby considerable inconvenience has been occasioned. We regret, also, that in several instances proper care has not been observed in filling out the reports. Items have been left unreported, and this too where it cannot be questioned that a little diligence could have readily found the proper figures for insertion. An entirely satisfactory report of the statistics of the Church can never be obtained until all who are charged with the responsibility of filling first Parochial, and then Diocesan reports learn to duly appreciate that responsibility. The whole structure of National Church Statistics is of such a character that every part has a bearing upon every other part. A defective Parochial or Diocesan Report here and there weakens and destroys the value of the whole statement. In this way, also, the careless statements of the few greatly weaken and depreciate the value of those made out with the greatest care. It is not that we are to expect proper and accurate statements from the majority, but rather such statements from all.

A tabulation of the returns presents these results:—

Number of the Clergy reported, 4,543, of whom 79 are Bishops, 4,022, Priests, and 442, Deacons.	
Deacons ordained	621
Priests ordained	511
Candidates for Holy Orders	567
Postulants	263
Lay Readers	1,865
Baptisms	190,820
Persons confirmed	131,473
Communicants	618,500
Sunday-School Officers and Teachers	45,513
“ Pupils	422,451
Pupils in Parish Schools	11,541
Pupils in Industrial Schools	6,980

Parishes, 3,187; Missions, 2,938; Total, 6,125.

Church Edifices, whole number	5,117
“ free	3,483
Sittings in churches	1,028,835
Free Sittings in churches	569,420
Churches consecrated	305
Rectories	1,941
Church Hospitals	74
Orphan Asylums	48
Homes	70
Academic Institutions	124
Collegiate Institutions	13
Theological Institutions	19
Other Institutions	128
Contributions.—Parochial Purposes	\$31,634,243.60
Diocesan “	3,907,444.25
Missionary Purposes other than Diocesan	1,406,151.09
Other extra Diocesan Objects,	678,117.68
Education of the Ministry	88,420.29
Aged and Infirm Clergy	176,727.22
Widows and Orphans of Clergymen	199,006.88
Total for all purposes	38,373,259.41
Endowments.—Episcopal Funds	2,355,610.46
Support of Parishes	2,056,955.31
Aged and Infirm Clergy	799,944.28
Widows and Orphans of Clergymen	775,631.35
Hospitals and other Institutions	8,537,335.70

And here it is to be noted that these statistics embrace only those given in the several reports from the Dioceses and Missionary Districts. The large amounts given to the Board of Missions and not reported to the Dioceses, in way of legacies and otherwise, to other Societies and Boards of a like character and also not reported to the Diocesan authorities, together with the very considerable endowments of such Boards and Societies, as well as those of our Universities, Seminaries, Colleges, and Schools not Diocesan, are not included in these statements. It might be well if a way should be found to gather these items to be incorporated in future statements.

Your Committee urgently request that the several Dioceses make their

blanks for Parochial reports conform to that of the General Convention and that this be done at once, in order that the returns to the next General Convention may be full and complete.

There are some lessons of interest to be gathered from the exhibit made. There are nearly three hundred more clergy to-day than there were three years ago, a gain of about seven per cent. There have been 1,132 ordinations (Deacons and Priests), or an increase of 24 per cent over the like period covered in the last report. The number of Candidates for Holy Orders is, however, not as large as it was three years ago; the difference is slight, but it indicates a halt and gives food for thought. There is an increase of 59 in the number of Lay Readers.

Passing for a space from this matter, we note with great gratification the very large number of baptisms and of persons confirmed. Our Communicants number to-day 67,571 more than three years ago, an increase of over 12½ per cent.

Your Committee believe that the difference between the rate of increase of our Communicants and that of our Clergy demands very serious thought. Our communicants are increasing at the rate of say 12 per cent in three years, while the increase in the number of the Clergy is but 7 per cent, and there is no increase in the number of our Candidates for Holy Orders. The increase in the number of the Clergy ought to keep pace with that of the Communicants. It does not. We have need to pray the Lord of the Harvest that he will send forth labourers into His Harvest, and we have need everywhere to select and put forward men who shall be cultured in the skill to labour in the Master's fields.

And here we are estopped to be reminded that the great number of Clergy unemployed, as it is phrased, would seem to indicate that there is no very large need of a further increase of the Clergy.

We are precluded from any thought that the large proportion of these gentlemen are other than good men and true. It is our belief that a chief cause for the increase of the number of the unemployed is to be found in the insufficiency and in the diminution of the stipends of the Clergy. If our Communicants largely increase in number, and their corporate ability to contribute to the support of the Clergy decreases, we may find the cause in the fact that more and more the "masses" of our population, the poor of our villages and our cities are having the Gospel preached to them.

Our people must be reminded most seriously of the very great need of an increase of funds for the support of the Clergy. The Communicants are multiplying much more rapidly than are the shepherds who are to fold and tend them. We have 67,571 more Communicants to-day than in 1892, and but 157 more Priests. The Pastors that we have must be supported and kept in their places, and their number ought to be largely increased.

We earnestly appeal to the people to give of their poverty to the Priest set over them in the Lord, that he may live and abide with them. The division of the loaf and the cruse with God's prophet will, as of old, bring into the house renewed life and joy.

We earnestly call upon our youth to offer themselves for God's work in His Ministry; to offer themselves with confidence, not in any personal ability to earn a livelihood, but in humble trust that the Lord will give them their daily bread. From amidst scenes that in the last generation knew those who dwelt at Nashotah and at Faribault, we call the youth of to-day, that they in turn show forth the heroism of Christian Faith.

To pass on, we note that in the triennium last past there have been 7,388 more baptisms and 5,836 more persons confirmed than in the like period immediately preceding.

It is gratifying to mark that the increase of the teachers in our Sunday Schools keeps pace with the inflow of pupils. We have 24,073 more pupils than three years ago, and 2,685 more teachers. The great increase of duties and responsibilities that have come upon our parish Priests as their flocks have multiplied, and they have been unable to procure clerical assistance, has necessitated a call upon the energies of their laymen, and glad and willing has been the response. In the Sunday School, in the lane and alley, in the Guild room, and in the Mission field, the laity have shown themselves glad helpers in the Lord.

The number of our Parishes and Missions is 6,125, which is an increase of over nine and one half per cent in the triennium. Over eighty per cent of our church edifices are free and open to all comers. The reports show that we have 536 more church edifices than three years ago, and that, therefore, we can repeat what your Committee said at that time. Every other day in this triennium also has seen a church completed. The increase in the number of our Parishes and Missions is practically the same as is the increase in the number of our church edifices. So that it can also be said that every other day has seen a new work commenced.

A gratifying increase is shown in the number of rectories. There are now 1,941 against 1,521 three years ago, an increase of over twenty-seven per cent.

The number of our homes and institutions for the comfort or care of the needy and the distressed has increased from 257 to 320, or nearly a fourth more.

It is said that we may estimate a religious population by multiplying the number of communicants by five. If we do this, we shall find the number of adherents we may fairly claim is 3,092,500.

The total contributions of our people have been \$305,102.23 in the last three years, less than during the like period immediately preceding. The distress of the Nation in these years readily accounts for this.

Your Committee have been asked to consider the propriety of the holding special services upon the fourth day of July in each year. Your Committee believe that the Nation cannot endure unless a spirit of true patriotism prevail. It is well that the people should feel their strength by civic and military display upon Independence Day. It is well that the people assemble on that day to have rehearsed to them the ethics of government. But knowledge without righteousness is vain; power without love is a danger; love of country without love of God is a perversion. We pray that this Nation may endure, but it cannot if the blessing of Almighty God rest not upon it. Your Committee believe that this Nation and this people has need to be taught these things. It is the duty of the Church to strive to guide the people of the land into the safe paths of enduring peace. It will conduce to this end if, upon Independence Day, the church bell calls to prayer, and a goodly part of the annual commemoration of the Nation's birth is had within the courts of the Lord's Sanctuary.

Much complaint has come to your Committee of the flagrant violation of the Canons by a number of our Lay Readers. The Canon forbids the assumption by them of the dress peculiar to the Clergymen ministering in the Congregation, yet we are informed that it is not uncommon for a Lay Reader to wear the Stole. The Canon forbids them to deliver sermons of their own composition, and yet it is reported that some have been known so to do. The discipline of the Church should be enforced, and the directions of the Canons strictly observed. The Clergy under whom the Lay Reader is placed should be held to a strict account for any infraction of law by his Lay Reader.

Complaint is made that the discipline of the Church in one Parish is

not given due credit in another, and this particularly in the matter of Divorce. It is of the utmost importance that the prohibitions of the Canon on Divorce should be enforced. The penalties inflicted by the law should not be lightly regarded, and judgments entered in one Parish ought to have equal credit in another when the guilty party removes to such other Parish. Your Committee believe the time opportune to reassert the laws of God prohibiting divorce in general. These laws, no Statute of the State can, we believe, set aside, or annul. This, our people ought to clearly understand.

Your Committee earnestly desire that the canon on the re-marriage of divorced persons be strictly enforced. The decree of the Civil Court should in all cases be taken as determining the cause of divorce.

Your Committee are very thankful to be able to report very satisfactory progress in ministering to the Swedes now dwelling in our land. Among them there are now twenty Parishes and Missions, seventeen clergymen and 2,530 communicants. These statistics justify the belief that our endeavours on behalf of the Swedes will in the future, as in the past, be abundantly blessed.

Your Committee are desired to remind the youth of our Parishes that they ought to exercise a wise discrimination in the choice of their amusements, and that they should be impressed with the truth that personal piety should not be sacrificed to personal gratification. They should recognize the fact that there are amusements that for them would seriously impede their spiritual growth, and that from all such amusements they owe it to themselves to refrain. They also need to make it a rule unto themselves to abstain from amusements at times and seasons appointed by the Church to be devoted to acts and exercises of devotion. God has placed the impress of His Name upon the day commonly called Sunday, and has set it apart and consecrated it as His.

The attention of your Committee has been called to the growing practice upon the part of members of this Church of giving or participating in social entertainments on the afternoon or evening of the Lord's Day. It is our deliberate judgment that such infractions of the sacredness of the Day of Rest and Worship are pernicious to the growth of Religion among our people and should be rebuked by our Parish Clergy. They are destructive of the use of the day as a day of worship and praise and lower the tone of the spiritual life of those who indulge in them. Still further are they to be deprecated because they lay upon domestic servants an unwarrantable burden, and deprive them of the opportunity of enjoying the privileges of the Day of Rest.

Friday is a day the Church has dedicated not as the special day for parties, nor for greater hilarity than is common upon other days, but rather for very different purposes. Let our youth hear the Church, reading her directory concerning the days for fasting and abstinence. Spiritual growth and true piety cannot well be hoped for unless heed is given to the rules of the Church. Let our people also remember that there is no allowance for a break in the Lententide. We would specially ask that these matters be considered by our chief pastors, and that they so instruct the Church. We ask also that they admonish them that Holy Week is not a season set apart for preparations for any amusements to be had in Easter week.

Your Committee have learned with pleasure the measures adopted for the comfort of retired Clergymen, and of the progress made in providing for a pension fund. There is scarcely another object where a large endowment would be of more benefit to the Church, than a provision by which a service pension could be insured to all our Clergy upon the completion of a definite term of labour. Such is the lack of means in the proper funds that our Missionary treasury is called upon to supply the

needs, and this we learn to the extent of several thousand dollars annually. The proper funds should be filled up and the Mission funds left for the aggressive work of the Church. We desire in as emphatic words as we can command to present a caution in this matter to the Church. The royalty on the Hymnal has been a large contributor the last two years to these funds. The demand for the Hymnal cannot be as great in future; there will be a probable falling off of receipts from this royalty. There is likely to be, in the very near future, pressing need for personal and parochial contributions to make up for this loss. We urge our Diocesan Conventions to take order to name a day, or days, upon which contributions shall be asked for these objects, to be devoted to either the Diocesan or General Funds, or both, as may be deemed expedient.

Your Committee have reason to trust that the interests of Capital and Labor, where antagonistic, are being happily adjusted in many instances. The Church must ever stand for that which is just, and must be teaching both the employer and the employee that he must not demand more than his due. It is the endeavour of the Church to bring to pass the condition where no man shall consent to permit himself to oppress the hireling in his wages nor he who is hired to interfere with his employer in his just rights.

We are informed of growing diversities in the matter of the services of the Church, and of habitual and flagrant disregard of the rubrical directions of the Book of Common Prayer. Our attention has been particularly directed to the fact that in many places that which is allowed on days "not a Sunday," is practised on Sundays. The rubrics relating to Morning Prayer and the reading of the Decalogue are those most commonly violated. All who have direction of the rendering of Divine Service ought to make a study of the law, and see to it that they walk in its ways. Your Committee also regret to learn of violations of the rubric governing the method of administering the Blessed Sacrament. It is our hope that a study of the law will bring to pass a proper observance of it, and that soon these complaints will find no justification.

We rejoice to know that in several places schools have been established for the training of Deaconesses. Woman's work has been so woven into the Church's work that it has come to be an integral factor of it, and its very great value is evident unto all. The more intelligent the workers are on these lines, as on every other, the greater the benefit that may be anticipated. These schools, we learn, are doing good and faithful work. They deserve the highest commendation.

There is a growing necessity for the translation of the Book of Common Prayer into foreign tongues. There are many thousands of all the chief nations of Europe dwelling in our land, and there is pressing necessity to place our manual of devotions in their hands, written in a tongue understood by them. We urge the hastening of the work of translation. Specially do we urge the immediate publication of the Catechism in such foreign languages, as there is a pressing need for it in the classes of our Sunday Schools, where the children of parents of foreign birth are being largely gathered. It would be a very useful missionary in the homes of such children.

Your Committee are gratified to know of the large number of Prayer Books that have been distributed in the last three years. We are informed that one million, one hundred thousand have passed into the hands of the people. We believe that the Prayer Book is a good missionary, and that it is wise to send it out among the people that know it not. The placing of copies in the rooms of the hotels of our land is a measure that has borne and will bear abundant fruit. We suggest also that effort be made to give a copy of the Prayer Book to every pupil in

our Sunday Schools. A very active propaganda for the Church would be thus established.

Our attention has been directed to the thoughtful care for the weak and the suffering that has been exhibited in the erection of institutions well equipped for such beneficent work. The care taken in many of these to so order them that their inmates are not pauperized, is worthy of all commendation. Among the new institutions we think it interesting and important to note the Home for Consumptives, at Denver, Colorado.

Your Committee have been asked to suggest the propriety of all societies holding trust funds publishing annually a full list of all their securities. We think that it would be much to the advantage of all Boards to publish annually a full and clear statement of their financial transactions, together with a complete list of the securities in which their funds are invested. We recommend the adoption of this rule by all societies, Boards and Vestries connected in any way with the Church.

Your Committee have endeavored to set forth the necessity for a large increase in the number of the Clergy. The onward sweep of the Church, gathering souls into her fold with such rapidity as is evinced by the statistics before given, demands that her army as recruited be officered. We may not refrain from reference to the fact that the men to be drilled and trained are generally and largely men of brain and intellect. Their teachers must be competent to instruct them; capable of directing their intellectual activities. The men to be set as the prophets and teachers in this Church must be men, themselves settled and grounded in the Catholic Faith; thoroughly trained themselves in the teacher's art; apt to teach because made skilful by familiarity with verities of the Divine Revelation. We earnestly ask the Bishops of this Church, at this time, and from time to time, as in their judgment, need and necessity may arise, to counsel the Church concerning its doctrines, as well as its discipline and worship. It is not for naught that provision is made that from day unto day, and from morning unto evening, we should repeat the ancient Creeds. It will not be in vain should our Bishops be constant in reiteration of the exposition which the Church, the pillar of the truth, has ever given to the Faith and the Doctrines she binds her disciples to hold and to profess.

The agencies through which the Church labours to bring men into her fold; to train or teach them there; to reclaim the erring; to reform the profligate; to restore the depraved, — the Brotherhood of St. Andrew; the Daughters of the King; the Church Temperance Society; the White Cross Society; the Girls' Friendly Society, and the various Guilds, Fraternities, and Orders have all been faithful in their respective spheres of labor, and the results of their fidelity, of their prayers and their service, have been a large factor in the great advance this Church has made the three years last past. Loyalty and love are characteristic not of a single diocese, however pre-eminently true it may be of that diocese. Your Committee claim them for the whole national Church; loyalty to the Faith of the ages; love of the Church so evidently adapted to the conditions of the hour; these be our watchwords, as the lines in unbroken array sweep onward to the conquest for Christ of the peoples of this land.

That the Canon governing this report may be observed, your Committee submit the following resolution and asks its adoption: —

Resolved, That a copy of the report here presented be transmitted to our Reverend Fathers in God, the House of Bishops, with the request that they issue a Pastoral Letter, and asking their united prayers and Episcopal Benediction.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, *Chairman.*

APPENDIX I. — 2.

TABULAR VIEW OF SOME OF THE CHIEF ITEMS OF STATISTICS CONTAINED IN THE TRIENNIAL REPORTS OF THE DIOCESES AND MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS.

DIOCESES.	(CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS, POSTULANTS, LAY READERS, ETC.)										PARISHES, CHURCHES, ETC.							
	Deacons Ordained.	Deacons Resident.	Priests Ordained.	Priests Resident.	Whole No. of Clergy.	Candidates for Orders.	Postulants.	Lay Readers.	Par. admitted to union with Conv'n.	Parishes in union with Convention.	Par. not in union with Convention.	Missions.	Church Edifices.	Sittings in Churches.	Total No. of Free Sittings.	No Churches sit. dngs wholly free.	Churches Co-subscribed.	Rectories.
1. Alabama	5	6	8	46	37	9	2	36	56	100	17	25	67	19,175	1,142	142	5	72
2. Albany	11	1	17	123	181	25	10	14	100	189	15	30	189	43,382	31,943	142	5	10
3. Arkansas	1	1	1	15	17	1	1	1	33	33	1	15	27	5,190	1,142	142	5	10
4. California	9	8	4	101	110	15	1	1	45	105	1	37	105	142	1,142	142	5	10
5. Central New York	25	15	19	101	117	17	8	32	108	142	6	35	142	142	1,142	142	5	10
6. Central Pennsylvania	11	6	10	108	114	11	7	60	97	117	1	60	117	30,039	14,344	110	11	59
7. Chicago	10	3	11	89	93	12	1	1	47	76	1	40	76	23,847	14,344	56	9	18
8. Colorado	10	4	8	85	42	12	1	1	23	47	1	36	47	8,178	5,929	34	1	18
9. Connecticut	28	15	20	198	214	22	1	1	150	185	1	13	185	53,203	1,142	142	1	100
10. Delaware	5	1	6	40	42	7	1	1	30	43	1	9	43	11,945	10,615	45	1	17
11. East Carolina	9	5	4	19	25	6	1	1	41	63	1	19	63	11,776	11,776	63	1	17
12. Easton	1	4	21	31	33	2	6	30	13	13	1	56	56	7,035	6,435	55	1	27
13. Florida	1	1	7	27	32	1	3	46	27	27	1	94	78	8,685	8,125	49	1	19
14. Fond du Lac	1	1	3	44	46	3	3	46	40	40	1	30	60	18,875	15,565	73	1	25
15. Georgia	1	1	7	44	47	5	0	40	40	60	1	50	80	16,370	13,000	57	1	25
16. Indiana	4	2	5	49	53	2	1	52	43	83	1	50	83	15,418	13,769	61	1	25
17. Iowa	4	2	10	26	29	1	1	44	34	67	1	110	67	18,418	13,769	110	1	18
18. Kansas	6	2	7	46	49	1	2	46	36	69	1	96	69	18,140	16,440	44	1	18
19. Kentucky	1	1	17	123	133	12	0	35	79	129	12	41	129	46,000	29,112	73	1	11
20. Long Island	1	1	5	33	39	6	3	19	36	63	6	42	63	16,003	12,030	63	1	24
21. Louisiana	2	5	5	30	31	1	1	30	22	41	1	27	41	12,744	11,744	58	1	25
22. Maine	8	5	7	30	31	1	7	32	132	215	17	52	215	61,025	42,500	178	1	30
23. Maryland	13	24	13	177	202	24	7	32	192	276	1	61	276	35,653	34,553	114	1	34
24. Massachusetts	36	17	24	223	241	44	7	61	60	82	1	61	82	33,489	14,000	78	1	45
25. Michigan	8	1	9	63	70	10	7	48	34	82	1	63	82	18,500	14,000	72	1	21
26. Milwaukee	25	21	16	65	67	13	17	27	64	100	54	67	100	26,030	11,163	132	1	33
27. Minnesota	10	13	10	88	101	15	7	22	33	63	1	34	63	11,162	11,163	62	1	30
28. Mississippi	4	3	5	27	30	8	2	15	33	53	1	24	53	11,055	9,439	62	1	40
29. Missouri	8	3	6	43	47	8	2	26	16	23	1	20	23	9,925	8,925	49	1	10
30. Nebraska	0	3	7	29	33	1	2	26	16	23	1	20	23	27,414	13,137	54	1	45
31. New York	1	4	12	196	111	5	4	33	67	180	1	20	180	27,414	13,137	54	1	45

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RACIAL STATISTICS.

DIOCESES	RACIAL STATISTICS.												
	Baptism-Infants.	Baptism, Adult.	Whole No. of Baptisms.	Number (continued.	Communicants, 1893.	Marriages.	Burials.	Sunday-school Teachers, (White and Colored).	Sunday-school Pupils.	Parish School Teachers.	Parish School Pupils.	Industrial School Teachers.	Industrial School Pupils.
1. Alabama . . .	1,167	231	1,416	1,240	6,559	231	638	467	8,838	47	202	102	903
2. Albany . . .	4,225	1,317	5,642	4,120	26,449	1,917	5,437	1,256	11,210				
3. Arkansas . . .	418	162	580	492	2,400	181	200	100	1,400				
4. California . . .	3,017	797	3,814	2,608	10,566	1,413	2,424	676	9,186		91	54	369
5. Central New York . . .	3,112	1,241	4,353	3,078	17,217	1,350	2,855	1,067	15,311				
6. Central Pennsylvania . . .	3,522	999	4,521	3,310	10,362	770	2,160	1,508	15,311				
7. Chicago . . .	4,975	941	5,916	3,516	17,061	1,974	8,118	1,158	9,811				
8. Colorado . . .	1,320	375	1,695	1,038	9,065	537	741	813	8,919				
9. Connecticut . . .	5,470	1,174	6,644	4,370	29,435	1,835	5,080	1,859	16,758				
10. Delaware . . .	163	136	300	233	9,855	103	502	240	2,737		130	7	75
11. East Carolina . . .	972	184	1,156	715	3,632	162	427	374	2,536	6			
12. Easton . . .	858	62	920	611	3,250	239	491	279	2,040		97		
13. Florida . . .	1,011	189	1,200	786	3,077	213	238	183	1,881				
14. Fond du Lac . . .	1,972	446	2,418	824	3,084	238	494	275	2,106		82	15	141
15. Georgia . . .	1,911	452	2,363	1,616	6,550	407	952	494	4,539				
16. Indiana . . .	1,084	546	1,630	1,131	7,141	471	615	450	2,806				
17. Iowa . . .	1,390	453	1,843	1,025	8,616	364	364		2,006				
18. Kansas . . .	1,149	350	1,499	1,514	7,287	413	712	562	4,364	12	270	108	673
19. Kentucky . . .	2,418	1,023	3,441	1,836	27,691	2,735	5,631	2,171	19,187	14	248	138	1,616
20. Long Island . . .	1,615	164	1,779	1,222	6,592	611	976	424	3,552	9	118	29	292
21. Louisiana . . .	837	297	1,134	671	3,200	296	635	235	9,101				
22. Maine . . .	7,500	982	8,482	6,422	30,506	2,336	4,630	2,064	18,089	31	714		
23. Massachusetts . . .	8,097	1,515	9,612	6,093	34,029	3,535	4,646	2,670	21,784	32	800		
24. Michigan . . .	2,988	953	3,941	3,171	14,644	1,142	2,042	1,170	10,184				
25. Milwaukee . . .	1,717	710	2,427	2,194	8,930	1,062	1,294	578	5,020		64	40	450
26. Minnesota . . .	2,634	804	3,438	2,006	12,836	919	1,432	925	7,077				
27. Mississippi . . .	707	190	897	674	3,266	243	433	256	1,906	11	248		
28. Missouri . . .	1,001	409	1,410	1,431	6,125	506	945	412	4,377	4	66		
29. Nebraska . . .	1,169	430	1,609	1,107	6,023	506	945	319	2,613	4	85		
30. Newark . . .	2,373	701	3,074	2,357	19,186	1,743	3,170	1,308	13,348				

New Hampshire	740	203	1,076	771	8,540	245	677	295	1,460	21	315	6,980
New Jersey	4,017	711	4,766	8,799	10,049	1,140	2,446	295	1,460	21	315	6,980
New York	17,093	3,340	90,468	13,130	59,469	1,446	10,756	1,744	11,147	21	315	6,980
North Carolina	1,204	801	1,666	1,147	8,326	381	680	673	4,643	20	684	904
Ohio	2,639	911	3,560	2,140	12,008	997	1,651	947	5,489	13	147	147
Oregon	675	344	919	708	2,045	279	576	281	1,735	20	20	345
Pennsylvania	12,433	1,943	14,376	8,425	42,573	2,496	7,610	3,515	40,434	21	345	345
Pittsburgh	3,335	681	4,016	3,071	12,600	653	1,630	763	7,327	15	15	165
Quincy	421	122	543	421	8,115	153	316	196	1,173	16	16	360
Rhode Island	9,891	805	8,066	2,109	10,640	1,153	2,301	906	8,933	47	1,527	419
South Carolina	1,496	190	1,986	1,399	6,277	335	647	579	5,080	40	706	50
Southern Ohio	1,400	620	1,920	1,406	8,759	443	1,065	639	5,329	8	76	49
Southern Virginia	1,657	725	2,660	1,808	10,467	947	1,625	908	8,325	5	118	8
Springfield	730	232	969	787	3,839	212	390	268	1,685	8	8	8
Tennessee	1,245	352	1,567	1,292	5,786	293	616	452	3,099	8	76	8
Texas	1,092	231	1,323	1,077	4,100	376	466	302	2,994	8	118	8
Vermont	608	433	1,161	863	4,889	374	759	242	2,071	8	8	8
Virginia	1,456	544	2,060	1,902	9,777	563	1,265	949	7,769	8	8	8
Western Michigan	947	440	1,398	1,055	4,942	375	878	306	2,587	8	8	8
Western New York	2,660	440	3,398	1,055	4,942	375	878	306	2,587	8	8	8
West Missouri	1,131	250	1,380	1,055	4,942	375	878	306	2,587	8	8	8
West Virginia	712	250	971	757	3,831	252	396	320	2,301	8	8	8
Alaska	830	370	1,106	841	3,743	260	439	394	2,316	8	8	8
Arizona (New Mexico)	702	220	1,013	476	3,886	267	330	153	1,485	8	8	8
Montana	532	106	661	301	1,345	237	430	91	1,113	8	8	8
Nevada, Utah	353	113	468	175	804	103	134	67	646	13	240	240
New Mexico, Arizona	376	68	444	264	1,030	142	361	66	609	13	240	240
North Dakota	472	189	671	374	1,672	313	378	137	1,199	13	240	240
Northern California	679	99	978	512	1,400	156	253	130	1,390	13	240	240
Northern Michigan	341	131	472	515	2,380	154	162	145	1,397	13	240	240
Northern Texas	131	65	180	171	504	41	49	35	243	13	240	240
Oklahoma, Indian Territory	815	385	1,200	650	2,792	277	319	274	2,084	13	240	240
Olympia	1,404	989	2,473	1,349	4,393	165	311	249	2,301	13	240	240
South Dakota	181	105	166	681	2,328	277	321	144	1,319	13	240	240
Southern Florida	246	70	358	292	864	57	68	60	677	13	240	240
Spokane	236	211	747	611	1,354	87	109	100	337	13	240	240
The Platte	178	50	229	79	431	41	47	37	233	13	240	240
Western Colorado	753	190	857	673	2,357	179	260	265	1,906	13	240	240
Western Texas	727	196	923	455	1,708	239	268	135	2,031	13	240	240
Wyoming, Idaho	423	325	748	387	1,237	80	189	144	1,444	13	240	240
Wye Palma	281	578	1,504	657	2,304	19	37	64	2,185	13	240	240
Cape Palms	158	684	877	244	947	39	119	64	1,010	13	240	240
Tokyo	158	684	877	244	947	39	119	64	1,010	13	240	240
Shanghai and Yang Tee Valley	158	684	877	244	947	39	119	64	1,010	13	240	240
Totals	153,803	37,017	190,320	181,473	618,500	44,684	93,399	43,518	423,451	490	11,543	6,980

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FINANCIAL EXHIBIT — OFFERINGS AND CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING INTEREST OF ENDOWMENTS.

Dioceses.	Diocesan Missions.				General Missions.		Foreign Missions.		Pompeii Missions.		Indian Missions.		Missions to Coloured People.		Education for the Blind and General.		Aged and Invalid (Clergy, Diocesan and General, including interest of Fund).		Widows and Orphans of Clergy, Diocesan and General, including interest of Fund.		All other Extra-diocesan Objects.		Totals for all Purposes.
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1. Alabama	\$10,315.00	\$14,814.01	\$2,457.36	\$4,006.46	\$7,162.52	\$0,527.08	\$31.27	\$3.00	\$883.20	\$1,570.45	\$1,570.45	\$1,468.28	\$1,468.28	\$1,468.28	\$1,468.28	\$1,468.28	\$1,468.28	\$1,468.28	\$1,468.28	\$1,468.28	\$1,468.28	\$1,468.28	\$1,468.28
2. Albany	50,017.00	23,212.21	147.05	88,202.84	147.05	1,114.87	1,636.41	1,114.87	1,636.41	1,114.87	1,636.41	1,114.87	1,636.41	1,114.87	1,636.41	1,114.87	1,636.41	1,114.87	1,636.41	1,114.87	1,636.41	1,114.87	1,636.41
3. Arkansas	1,430.54	1,230.00		3,104.74																			
4. California	18,102.55	27,007.16		40,034.48																			
5. Central New York	32,073.16	18,184.73		60,046.92																			
6. Central Penn.	27,222.62	23,406.10		58,796.73																			
7. Chicago	5,643.92	15,111.16		84,915.44																			
8. Colorado	35,704.22	10,102.00		21,274.60																			
9. Connecticut	6,000.78	3,283.00		20,045.06																			
10. Delaware	3,557.70	10,438.27		2,338.38																			
11. East Carolina	3,458.42	11,448.38		14,985.80																			
12. Easton	5,537.28	9,948.61		6,055.00																			
13. Florida	6,587.28	10,948.61		5,055.00																			
14. Fond du Lac	2,582.52	8,463.22		2,164.71																			
15. Georgia	17,315.80	17,713.67		53,271.67																			
16. Indiana	10,540.53	14,413.11		3,004.86																			
17. Iowa	10,045.53	5,600.90		62,726.44																			
18. Kansas	24,314.21	13,535.28		55,157.10																			
19. Kentucky	34,413.94	31,887.45		62,378.40																			
20. Long Island	9,406.41	17,082.79		18,571.81																			
21. Louisiana	6,072.64	10,285.73		1,009.73																			
22. Maine	1,808,165.45	23,573.75		155,084.77																			
23. Maryland	1,851,573.07	30,790.00		133,280.57																			
24. Massachusetts	480,927.03	22,006.37		18,076.72																			
25. Michigan	9,510.00	13,210.40		4,206.97																			
26. Milwaukee	525,874.00	56,013.37		4,400.00																			
27. Minnesota	103,533.00	11,169.93		34,852.33																			
28. Mississippi	470,347.05	16,278.65		10,008.54																			
29. Missouri	191,087.77	6,570.30		10,008.54																			
30. Nebraska	1,174,603.00	18,725.47		191,458.06																			
31. Newark	153,605.10	8,240.80		27,281.81																			
32. New Hampshire	754,134.00	18,207.81		7,238.40																			
33. New Jersey	4,578,679.60	55,847.77		109,845.45																			
34. New York	1,174,603.00	18,725.47		27,281.81																			

North Carolina	120,377 53	13,323 09	6,767 141	15,041 371	2,150 86	1,107 791	120 34	124 90	651 03	007 401	115 10	1,370 15	176,430 15
Ohio	506,176 00	20,704 40	25,303 20	14,005 50	2,045 18	3,107 97	101 67	1,468 70	1,023 25	4,418 63	2,476 40	16,132 71	603,033 39
Oregon	140,047 79	1003 08	6,078 60	2,974 64	1,406 13	1,236 15				578 53			164,319 35
Pennsylvania	8,750,200 13	34,001 00	68,637 19	108,901 23	4,000 10	121,943 44	10,453 00	13,301 63	6,794 63	13,313 00	13,313 01	74,565 35	9,364,722 76
Pittsburgh	690,300 43	90,481 34	25,648 03	13,460 15	37,472 73							2,380 02	723,043 39
Quincy	106,816 00	6,303 70	2,000 34		672 02							2,680 02	130,153 46
Rhode Island	601,144 80		45,378 90	97,077 17	20,489 70	313 54	239 67	243 37	302 07	434 14		2,680 02	601,153 46
South Carolina	179,002 01	9,400 24	15,743 78	3,497 90	8,843 31	23,072 51	2,453 47	2,306 46	2,497 67	3,352 19		3,354 25	179,426 39
South Dakota	446,102 01	19,392 26	22,065 03	41,801 30	4,113 57	1,430 00	13 00	1,177 95	3,739 32	3,750 00	2,007 00	1,011 17	233,317 33
Southern Virginia	504,452 30	16,517 65	19,450 51	7,150 01	1,025 21	2,346 78	767 00	697 15	1,755 45	3,023 98	1,244 31	6,716 61	505,017 08
Springfield	100,355 53	8,189 39		1,773 03	5,544 16				5,344 34	3,378 03	2,778 12	4,002 15	672,407 73
Tennessee	149,163 01	14,639 77	4,423 50	6,167 00	504 30	730 23	35	1 00	1,051 75	12 01	4 70	62,371 27	111,068 13
Texas	206,334 72	12,450 62	3,078 03	5,631 74	533 35	440 37	62 50	13 30	5 00	123 97	123 98	561 70	275,635 32
Vermont	142,423 49	9,944 04	14,309 63	11,000 93	1,440 90	1,030 31	71 03	311 47	304 64	963 30	300 00	6,089 33	229,753 64
Virginia	374,525 47	20,246 44	27,776 51	16,235 271	601 39	4,413 13	114 33	91 03	4,819 02	7,100 34	16,314 39	17,716 40	197,704 39
Western Michigan	214,548 16	11,290 63	7,192 10	2,493 69		1,497 22	1,003 66			639 63	68 62	4,305 43	509,539 37
Western New York	645,943 38	14,444 23	11,331 71	32,733 51		7,030 34	16,379 78	1,047 47	1,639 24	5,303 03	5,303 04	30,621 60	243,387 16
Western Missouri	172,534 03	11,200 14	6,310 66	1,774 26	667 02	375 09			103 55	439 30		1,017 59	225,311 16
West Virginia	170,839 31	9,032 23	6,132 30	3,129 34	1,215 03	3,902 43	13 40	96 40	303 13	667 32	387 61		194,264 15
Alaska													130,776 37
Arizona (with N.M.)													
Montana	30,626 03	425 37	2,058 30	2,746 34	579 46	1,330 10	207 30	119 63	16 00			67 90	30,394 25
Nebraska													50,300 73
Nevada and Utah	32,828 92	345 00	301 75		524 31							33 75	34,233 73
N. Mex. and Ariz.	30,530 00				1,727 03							429 35	32,257 38
North Dakota	75,664 28								600 00				70,264 28
Northern California	39,103 64												39,103 64
Northern Michigan	71,028 22												71,028 22
Northern Texas	15,041 40	3,312 04	369 50	41 35	103 01	246 03		4 30		172 30	17 25	3,161 03	15,000 33
Oklahoma & Ind.Ter.	143,574 34		546 03		391 00					30 00			143,574 34
Olympia	61,004 92	329 27	773 31	1,633 67	1,074 39					93 63			61,004 92
South Dakota	44,000 01	1,334 75	817 62	2,012 43		620 31	351 67	123 24	229 30	202 13	231 37	537 49	44,000 01
Southern Florida	16,205 39	79 75	1,724 91	2,719 01		706 47	539 43	2,229 37	243 00	161 47		1,693 14	16,205 39
Spokane	44,894 44	280 05	496 52	635 30	101 25								44,894 44
The Platte	23,747 65			73 91		305 30				64 54			23,747 65
Western Colorado	68,305 95	2,250 75	279 75	182 78									68,305 95
Western Texas	91,170 35	332 00	1,367 09	47 00	503 49	704 03			450 00			207 78	91,170 35
Wyoming & Idaho					670 34					401 45			92,594 04
Cape Palmas													8,061 05
Tokyo													8,946 07
Shanghai and Yang Tee Valley													3,406 30
Totals	31,634,243 60	852,300 20	1,059,110 20	1,937,144 60	190,731 35	401,334 13	33,613 30	51,257 65	68,430 20	176,737 23	190,006 33	678,117 63	38,373,335 41

23.	North Carolina	13,910 46	2,745 00	10,165 46	1,000 00	9,165 46	1,000 00	8,165 46	1,000 00	7,165 46	1,000 00	6,165 46	1,000 00	5,165 46	1,000 00	4,165 46	1,000 00	3,165 46	1,000 00	2,165 46	1,000 00	1,165 46	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 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APPENDIX II. — 1.

THE TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

IN accordance with the requirements of the Constitution of the Society the Board of Managers respectfully presents to the Board of Missions its Sixth Triennial Report accompanied by the following documents:

I. The volume containing the Annual Report to the Missionary Council held in Chicago, October 22 to 25, 1893, with which is also bound up the Proceedings of said Council, the Report of the Treasurer, the Annual Reports on Domestic and Foreign Missions to which are appended the Reports of the several Missionary Bishops, the Bishop of the Church in Haiti, and from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Alaska, the Report on Trust Funds, and the Reports of Recognized Auxiliaries.

II. The corresponding volume for the fiscal year 1893-94, containing the Proceedings of the Missionary Council, held in Hartford, October 21 to 24, 1894, and the Reports, as above, submitted to it.

III. The following reports (in pamphlet form) relating to the fiscal year 1894-95: The Report of the Treasurer, the Annual Reports on Domestic and Foreign Missions, to which respectively are appended the Reports from the Missionary Jurisdictions, from Haiti, and abstracts of statements concerning the work, made this year by some of the Bishops of those Dioceses receiving aid from the Board, and also the reports of recognized Auxiliaries, so far as received.

All the foregoing, taken together, comprise "such an outline" for the triennium "of the missionary work prosecuted . . . as may serve to give a comprehensive view of the progress, prospects, and present condition of the work of the Society in the several parts of the Domestic and Foreign fields."

This Report, while chiefly occupied with the transactions of the last fiscal year in the instances indicated, succinctly covers the whole term since the last meeting of the Board of Missions.

THE CHURCH MISSIONS HOUSE.

The corner-stone of the Church Missions House was laid on the south-east corner of Fourth Avenue and Twenty-second Street in New York City on October 3, 1892, two days before the assembling of the last General Convention. The building was occupied by the Society on the 1st of January, 1894, and it was formally dedicated on St. Paul's Day, January 25, 1894. Thus, after more than seventy years, during which the Society had been a tenant (for the last and longest period a tenant of the American Bible Society), this Society, representing our whole Church, was established in its own beautiful home.

The Committee which had in charge the whole work, in handing over the completed and furnished building to the Board of Managers at its meeting in January, 1892, said:

"The Committee would express grateful appreciation of the gifts which have enabled them to complete the payment for the site and build-

ing without incurring expense for the Society, trespassing upon its funds, or interfering in any way with the receipts for the current work of Missions."

The Board adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Board of Managers does hereby express and place upon record its high appreciation of the generous gifts by means of which the Church Missions House has been erected, and would extend its hearty thanks to all persons who have contributed towards the building and furnishing of the same.

This is the story in brief of the Church Missions House since the last report to the Board of Missions. The one thing especially to be noted is this: the valuable site was purchased, the building completed, and the furnishings provided from gifts which were all made for these special objects. Not a dollar which was intended for Missions has gone into this enterprise; not even a temporary loan was taken from the Mission funds for the purpose. It is a clear gift to the Church to serve the cause of Missions. It is a central and attractive home, which draws Church people when they visit the great city from all parts of the land and the stranger from abroad when he enters this eastern gateway of the continent. Its chapel chime calls them at noontide to join in prayers and supplications for the spread of the Gospel of Christ; its reading-room preserves on file Church periodicals, English as well as American. It provides accommodations not only for the growing needs of the Society, but also for kindred Church societies, so that it is a rallying point for Church workers. Already a number of tenants occupy portions of the building, and as the income from rents increases it will become an annual contributor to the support of Missions. The picture of the building has become familiar to children in all parts of the Church, and they regard themselves as part owners of it. It speaks to them, and to the grown people also, of Missions as the work of the whole Church, reminding them of the duty and privilege of bearing their part in that great work for the glory of God.

CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP.

The following changes have taken place in the *personnel* of the Board elected at the last General Convention: the Rt. Rev. Dr. Paret's resignation was accepted March 14, 1893; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Lyman died December 13, 1893; the Hon. Henry P. Baldwin died December 1, 1892, and Mr. Lemuel Coffin, the oldest elected member of the Board, who had served for many years previously in the Foreign Committee, died at his home in Philadelphia, January 4, 1895; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Vincent was elected to membership May 9, 1893, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Randolph, March 13, 1894, and Mr. George Bliss, February 14, 1893. There is at present one lay vacancy.

Among the *ex officio* members the following deaths have occurred: the Rt. Rev. Dr. Brooks, Bishop of Massachusetts, January 23, 1893; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Kip, Bishop of California, April 6, 1893; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Bissell, Bishop of Vermont, May 14, 1893; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Gregg, Bishop of Texas, July 11, 1893; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Paddock, Missionary Bishop of Olympia, March 4, 1894; the Rt. Rev. Dr. W. B. W. Howe, Bishop of South Carolina, November 26, 1894; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Knickerbacker, Bishop of Indiana, December 31, 1894; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Thomas, Bishop of Kansas, March 9, 1895; and the Rt. Rev. Dr. M. A. DeW. Howe, Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, July 31, 1895.

During the past year one *ex officio* member has been added to the list by the consecration of the Rev. Dr. John Hazen White as Bishop of Indiana, on May 1, 1895. The other Bishops consecrated have been enumerated in the two previous reports.

MATTERS REFERRED.

The action of the Board of Managers touching those matters which were referred to it by the last General Convention or by the Board of Missions, is all recorded in the report of the Board for 1892-3.

The request of the House of Bishops that provision should be made for the attendance of the Foreign Bishops at the meetings of the General Convention is practically answered by the presence of all of them at this session.

It was the pleasure of the Board of Missions in Baltimore to direct by resolution that the interest and income of the Enrolment Fund should be applied for the support of new Missionary Bishops and aggressive work in the missionary field for and during the time intervening until the present General Convention. This resolution having been carried into effect by the devoting of the said income to the salaries of the new Missionary Bishops, it now becomes the duty of the Board of Missions to take action, renewing its previous direction or otherwise, looking to the use of the interest of the Fund during the next three years. Under the further resolution of the Board of Missions, that persons holding moneys collected for the Enrolment Fund be requested to get the permission of the subscribers to pay the sum over to the treasurer of the Fund, there has been received about \$6,000: this with the united offering of the Woman's Auxiliary at Baltimore, making the total of the Fund on September 1, 1895, \$167,596.03.

With regard to Educational Subsidies the Board has within the past year, in addition to its own action previously reported and the action of the Missionary Council in Hartford, adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the judgment of this Board it is inconsistent with the position taken by the Board of Missions in 1892 in regard to Government appropriations, for any school occupying a building or buildings owned by this Church to receive grants of money from the United States.

MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS.

At the meeting of the Board in November it was officially notified that at a meeting of the House of Bishops, held in the Church Missions House on the 18th of October, acting under Title I., Canon 19, § vi., [2], of the Digest, the House by resolution had relieved the Rt. Rev. Dr. Barker from the exercise of Episcopal functions in the Missionary District of Western Colorado and directed him to exercise Episcopal functions in the Missionary District of Olympia with the title of Missionary Bishop of Olympia. On December 11, the Board was informed that Bishop Barker had accepted this action. In January the Presiding Bishop informed the Board that he had temporarily placed the Missionary District of Western Colorado under Bishop Barker's charge, which he subsequently relinquished, when the Rt. Rev. Dr. A. Leonard was assigned to the duty.

With the approbation of the Board the Rt. Rev. Dr. Barker, Missionary Bishop of Olympia, in the early summer, sent the Rev. George Buzzelle on a visit of inspection to southeastern Alaska. His report of the openings for work was so favourable that Bishop Barker, with the consent of the Presiding Bishop, has placed the Rev. Dr. R. D. Nevius temporarily at Juneau to hold the ground until the mind of the Church can be known with regard to occupying that important field. The Board has paid the expenses of both these clergymen, and at the September meeting took the following action:

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Alaska be instructed to present Bishop Barker's statements with regard to opportunities in

Alaska to the Board of Missions in Minneapolis and to the House of Bishops; urging the House of Bishops to take immediate action with regard to the election of a Bishop for that jurisdiction.

JURISDICTION IN JAPAN.

Supplementing the last report it is to be said that upon his return from abroad Dean Hoffman reported that he had been received most affably by the Archbishop of Canterbury, who expressed his readiness to do anything in his power to have the matter arranged to the satisfaction of all parties concerned with respect to the conflicting jurisdiction of the Bishops of the English and American Churches in Japan, but as the temporary agreement which was outlined last year had been entered into between the Bishops in the field, the Dean felt that it was useless to pursue the matter further at that time. At the March meeting another letter upon the subject was received from Bishop McKim, enclosing correspondence drawn out by a statement made by Bishop Bickersteth, Bishop of the Church of England in Japan, which had been published in an English Church paper. Some notice of this was taken in "The Spirit of Missions."

TENURE OF PROPERTY IN JAPAN.

For a long time the Board has been disturbed by the uncertainty of the tenure of real property outside of the Foreign Concessions in Japan. Such property has been held for the most part for our own and for other missionary societies by Japanese Christians morally as trustees, but in the eye of the law as individuals. In June, 1894, the Board had before it a report from one of its legal members based upon an exhaustive opinion of a Japanese barrister, when the Secretary was authorized to communicate on behalf of the Society with the Secretary of State for the United States of America, respectfully calling attention to the fact that in all other places in the Japanese Empire than in the Foreign Concessions at Osaka and Tokyo the tenure of the real property which it has purchased is very indefinite and uncertain; stating that while it is anxious not to violate or evade any Japanese law, it is also very desirous that such property acquired by the Society, outside of the Concessions, in the progress of its mission work might be secured to it, and asking the Secretary of State to confer on this matter with the Japanese Government in such mode and at such early date as to him might seem best. In January last a communication was received from the late Hon. Walter Q. Gresham, then Secretary of State, conveying the report of Mr. Dunn, the American Minister, to the effect that under the Civil Code which has been adopted, coming into force in 1896, it will be possible for the Society to secure tenure of such property as is referred to and advising that it refrain from any attempt to change the existing conditions meanwhile. The Board was otherwise informed, nevertheless, that the Civil Code was practically in effect already and that no legislation on the part of the Japanese Government was necessary in the interim. The important question then pending was the erection of the Church of the Holy Trinity at Kyoto, for which the money had already been especially provided. With regard to this the further information was at hand that all fear concerning the title to the property had been removed; it being held by a Committee of three trusted Christians, one of them a clergyman and another a candidate for Deacon's Orders. Each of the three had made a will in which he disclaims all rights to ownership since he holds the property as a trust, and they had undertaken to hand it over to the Mission just as soon as the new treaty should go into effect. In view of these circumstances, under date of March 12, the Board gave consent

to the erection of said church when the present trustees should have joined in a paper declaring the trust and agreeing to deed the property over to the Mission so soon as the treaty would permit.

COMMISSION ON WORK AMONG THE COLOURED PEOPLE.

Pursuant to the action of the Board of Missions at its last session the Board reconstituted the Commission on Work among the Coloured People with a membership of seven Bishops, seven Presbyters, and seven Laymen, as follows: The Rt. Rev. Drs. Dudley, Randolph, Paret, Weed, W. A. Leonard, Jackson, and Kinsolving; the Rev. Drs. Eccleston, Newton, McKim, Capers, Cheshire, Jr., McVickar, and the Rev. C. H. Strong, and Messrs. Davis, Bryan, King, McCall, Pellew, Reinecke, and Lyman. The Rev. Drs. Capers, Cheshire, and Newton having been elevated to the Episcopate, and the Rev. Dr. Eccleston and the Rev. Mr. Strong having resigned, and Mr. H. W. McCall having died, the following gentlemen were elected to fill the vacancies respectively: The Rev. Beverly D. Tucker, in November, 1893, and the Rev. Dr. Mackay Smith and the Rev. Dr. Tiffany, in April, 1894; the Rev. R. A. Goodwin and the Rev. A. G. P. Dodge, Jr., in June, 1894, and Mr. John Wilkes, in November, 1894.

At the June meeting of the Board of Managers an appropriation from the general funds of the Society, at the rate of \$40,000 per annum, was made for the work among the Coloured People for the first quarter of the fiscal year 1895-6, and the Commission at its meeting in June made appropriations for the same term to the several Dioceses having such work, for King Hall, for the salary and travelling expenses of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Penick, General Agent, and for its own general expenses, limited to the same term, at the rate of \$55,820.

RECOGNIZED AUXILIARIES.

The recognized auxiliaries are the same as those reported at the last triennial meeting, viz.: The Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, the American Church Building Fund Commission, the American Church Missionary Society, and the Church Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews. Their reports will be duly presented to the Board of Missions. Their relations to it are long since a matter of record. Those of the Woman's Auxiliary, it should be remembered, are quite different from those of the others, as its officers are elected by the Board itself, and its expenses are all provided by the Board's treasury. A large part of its contributions comes into the general books of the Society, and a proportion of these go toward aiding and carrying on the work for which the Board is responsible by its appropriations. In addition to the many good works which have become familiar through previous reports, and which have been regularly sustained, the Auxiliary this year has contributed \$2,718 for a Deaconess House in Shanghai, and has provided money for building a house for Miss Suthon, at Aomori, Japan, besides helping her to meet the personal loss caused by fire; they have contributed largely toward the new buildings for St. Paul's College, Tokyo, and the New Church of the Holy Trinity, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, and have sent Dr. Forsythe, a woman physician, to Oklahoma, to carry on medical work under Bishop Brooke.

The report of the Woman's Auxiliary, submitted herewith, sets forth the total amount of money contributions through its agency for the past fiscal year as \$167,643.35, of which \$90,833.52 was disbursed without coming into the central treasury. The amounts applied toward meeting the Board's appropriations were as follows: For Domestic Missions, \$22,878.-83; for Foreign Missions, \$23,169.67. The amounts disbursed through

the Treasurer of the Board for purposes *not* covered by such appropriations were: for the Domestic field, \$14,171.58; for the Foreign field, \$16,589.75. In addition to these sums boxes of clothing and supplies have been sent to missionaries and institutions, which in the aggregate were estimated to reach the value of \$181,575.91, of which \$853.64 in value were sent abroad.

The four Committees appointed under the recommendation of the Board of Missions in Baltimore, on Systematic Giving, Publications, Missionary Workers, and the Junior Auxiliary, have continued to render effective service. The ladies appointed upon these Committees were those originally suggested to the Board of Missions. At the February meeting of the Board of Managers, however, Mrs. Curtis of New York and Mrs. Worthington of Nebraska were elected to fill vacancies in the Committee on Publications caused by the resignation of Mrs. Bleything and Mrs. Dewey.

PRESBYTER FOR MEXICO.

Pursuant to the action of the Board of Missions in Baltimore a Presbyter has been appointed each year under the nomination of the Presiding Bishop. The Rev. William B. Gordon having resigned, for reasons of health, soon after the last General Convention, the following resolution has been adopted in each of the two intervening years:

Resolved, That the Rev. Henry Forrester, nominated by the Presiding Bishop, be appointed under the resolution of the Board of Missions as the clergyman of this Church to whom shall be assigned the duty of counselling and guiding the work of those Presbyters and readers in Mexico, who have asked for the fostering care of this Church to be extended to them as a Mission; *Provided*, that this Board is not responsible for his salary unless from funds especially contributed for Mexico.

An earnest friend of the work in Mexico immediately assumed the responsibility for the salary and expenses of Mr. Forrester subject to the terms of the foregoing resolution, and Mr. Forrester proceeded immediately to the field.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LENTEN OFFERING.

The last Board of Missions, it will be remembered, sent affectionate greetings to the children of the Church, congratulating them upon the remarkable advance in their Lenten Offerings from \$27,000 to \$74,000 within four years. The following year the total reached \$75,954.27, which has not been equalled since. For the year which closed August 31, 1894, the sum of these contributions was \$58,108.58. For the year now closed the sum is \$67,471.91, which is \$9,363 more than was reported the year before. Two thousand five hundred and seventy-eight schools participated, or 336 more than last year. This is the largest number of schools ever noted as joining in the effort.

In connection with this subject the Board would add a word of caution. From certain indications it is to be feared that in not a few instances the contributions to the Lenten Offering have taken the place of the gifts of the congregation for Missions, no other collections being made. It would be wholly unworthy of any parish to permit the youth to usurp its privileges and discharge its duties in this regard.

PUBLICATIONS.

At the last Missionary Council a resolution was adopted asking the Board of Managers to take into consideration the improvement of "The Spirit of Missions." A Committee was appointed upon this subject by the Board, which, after deliberation, reported at the meeting of March.

The subject was continued until May, when by resolution the recommendations of the Committee having reference to the subject matter of the magazine were referred to the editor for the preparation of a report to the November meeting of the Board. Meanwhile improvements have been made, which it is hoped have been apparent to all readers. Among these may be mentioned the fact that the issues for the year have contained seventy pages more than in any former year.

The actual circulation on the first day of September was 10,084, being within a few copies the same as reported for the corresponding date in 1892. In the meantime it has been some 700 larger. Within the last three months the subscription list has been closely revised.

The total number of the last issues of "The Young Christian Soldier" subscribed for was 61,256, of which number 46,674 were of the monthly and 14,582 were of the weekly edition. The circulation of the monthly at the last report to the Board of Missions was only 17,500, the difference being accounted for by the cheaper form which was adopted about three years ago. At one time since the change it reached a circulation of 53,650 copies. The number of subscribers to the weekly was 3,250 less than in 1892.

The "Quarterly Message," the last number of which, containing much useful information, will be distributed at this session, had a circulation during the past fiscal year in four issues of 106,000 copies. There is no doubt that this smaller publication for adults has reached large numbers of people who otherwise would have heard nothing of the Missionary work of the Church.

Scarcely a mail is opened at the Church Missions House without finding calls for reports on the different departments of the work, historical sketches and leaflets giving information about the Foreign and Indian boarding-schools, etc., etc. These demands the Board is always glad to meet, as the circulation of such literature is an effective way of making known the work to the Church. There have been distributed during the fiscal year 21,000 copies of the reports and 1,034,215 pages of miscellaneous printed matter.

APPORTIONMENT.

In view of the recent stringency of the times and the threatening deficiency in the treasury, which has happily been averted, and the fluctuation of receipts one year with another, the Board in May appointed a Special Committee to consider the feasibility of obtaining pledges from the Dioceses. Upon their report subsequently, it was

Resolved, That the Vice-President of this Board be requested to commend to the Board of Missions, at its approaching meeting in Minneapolis, the importance of devising some plan of diocesan pledges (or assurances) for the triennium next following whereby this Board may be able to make its appropriations intelligently and with a reasonable expectation of seeing its receipts suffice for its expenditures.

RECEIPTS OF THE SOCIETY.

On the 1st of March last it was manifest that the continued falling off of contributions from parishes foreboded evil to the Church's Missions. With the accumulated arrearages of the two years preceding, it then appeared that the treasury required \$100,000 to meet its obligations. Upon the request of the Board the Presiding Bishop issued a statement setting forth the facts and appealing for contributions to meet the exigency. Generous responses to that appeal by individuals and parishes afforded the needed relief, and the whole sum asked for was raised. It was in every way an extraordinary accomplishment, calling for devout

acknowledgment to Almighty God and gratitude to the munificent donors whom He had moved to listen to the appeal. Thus the threatened damage was averted for the time, and most happily the year closed without any deficiency, to the great joy of all friends of Missions. The Board at its meeting in September placed on record its gratitude to God for this signal mercy.

The Board of Missions should not fail at its meeting in Minneapolis to deal with the question of adequate support for the Church's Missions. The paramount importance of the General Missions, Domestic and Foreign, should be deeply impressed upon the whole Church. The solemn obligation resting upon all who belong to the Church to contribute regularly, each one according to his ability, to the support of the Missions which are established by the Church's constituted authority should be not only formally acknowledged but deeply felt by all. It will not answer the purpose that contributions are made towards special works if the Missions for which the Church is pledged be neglected. Whatever special gifts may be sent here or there or through other channels than the General Board cannot take the place of those contributions which in every parish and mission should be gathered regularly and sent to the Treasurer of the Board. The Missions cannot properly be maintained otherwise, but with such loyal endeavour on the part of all who are charged with the cure of souls, the work at home and abroad can be supported, and such grave emergencies as that which confronted the Board last spring need not arise.

The Board of Missions will do an unspeakable service if it will solve the question of support by stirring up the hearts of the people to a livelier interest in its missions and to an earnest purpose to give to them systematic support.

The gross receipts of the Society for the fiscal year, including those for "Specials" and for miscellaneous purposes, amounted to \$727,284.09. The contributions for the work of the Society were \$443,813.23; the analysis of this sum is as follows: for Domestic Missions (including work among the Indians and work among the Coloured People) \$151,042.69; for Foreign Missions, \$108,483.66; for General Missions, *i.e.*, offerings at the discretion of the Board and by it equally divided between Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$184,286.88. As compared with the previous year there was an increase of offerings for General Missions of \$65,486.56, and an increase of offerings for Foreign Missions of \$9,311.55, and a decrease for Domestic Missions of \$1,158.93.

Of the amount received from *legacies* \$34,392.44 were according to the terms of the wills applied to Domestic Missions, and \$13,485.45 to Foreign Missions. Eleven thousand three hundred and eighty-four dollars and fifty cents were designated by the testators simply for the uses of the Society. Of this last sum the Board of Managers applied \$10,893.72 toward making up the deficiency in meeting the appropriations for Foreign Missions.

The total amount of contributions at the discretion of the Board toward paying its appropriations was therefore \$503,075.62. In addition to this legacies amounting to \$11,000 were received for investment.

The number of parishes and missions on the Board's books is 5,484. Of these 3,506 — the largest number ever reported — have contributed to the work of this Society during the fiscal year. The cost of administering the affairs of the Society and of making the work known to the Church was six and seven-tenths per cent of the receipts for Missions, or five and one-half per cent of all the receipts by the Treasurer, including subscriptions for the Stated Publications and receipts for miscellaneous purposes.

The Treasurer's reports are appended.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Under the present rule of the Board the time for making the annual appropriations for the ensuing fiscal year is at the May meeting, but for reasons already stated a preamble and resolution were adopted at that meeting setting forth the facts that with the prospect of a large indebtedness on September 1, the Board would not be justified in making the appropriations as called for in the estimates, while yet to reduce the appropriations to the schedule of the offerings of the last twelve months would work great injury and hardship; that large individual pledges had been made toward the deficiency, conditioned upon the entire amount being raised, and therefore action was deferred until the 4th of the next month, when an adjourned meeting should be held. That date having arrived, the Treasurer reported that further contributions or pledges of \$15,000 were still absolutely required, as other pledges amounting to \$50,000 in the aggregate were conditioned upon the whole sum of \$100,000, the estimated deficiency on March 1, being secured. Whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That, in view of the encouraging report of the receipt of pledges and cash towards the deficiency of \$100,000, and the many earnest expressions of desire that the appropriations be not reduced, the Board deems it expedient at this time to make the appropriations for the first three months of the new year, trusting that the sum still required may soon be received in order that the appropriations may be extended for the remainder of the fiscal year.

This being the basis of action, further resolutions were adopted making appropriations for Domestic Missions (including work among the Indians and the Coloured People) and for Foreign Missions, *for the first quarter only* of the new fiscal year, at the *annual rate* of \$451,551.

No later action has been taken, and consequently all appropriations terminate November 30.

By order and in behalf of the Board of Managers,

T. A. STARKEY,
H. Y. SATTERLEE,
JOHN A. KING,
WM. S. LANGFORD,
JOSHUA KIMBER,
Special Committee.

CHURCH MISSIONS HOUSE,
Fourth Avenue and Twenty-second Street,
New York, September, 1895.

THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.

1845.

Sept. 1st.	To Cash paid out since Sept. 1st, 1884, on account of:	
	Domestic Missions.....	\$138,797 17
	Indian Missions	48,285 02
	Coloured Missions	57,514 46

Foreign Missions
Interest
Cost of administration and collection
Printing Reports of the Board, "Spirit of
Missions" for the Clergy, pamphlets and
leaflets for gratuitous distribution
Legacies deposited with Standing Commit-
tee on Trust Funds, for investment.....
Paid to Annuitant.....

Specials
Missionary Enrolment Fund
Church Missions House:
Paid on account of construction.....
Temporary loans returned

Returned to Standing Committee on Trust Funds:
Temporary deposits for Domestic and Foreign Missions
"Cleveland Keith Fund" for China Mission

Returned to Mr. George Bliss his personal loan
 "The Spirit of Missions"
 "The Young Christian Soldier"
 "The Quarterly Message"
 Paid on account of receipts not relating to the current work of the Society
 To Cash on hand Sept. 1, 1886, covering specials, and required for payments for quarter ending September 1.....

8784, 829 18

NEW YORK, September 1, 1895.

The Auditing Committee respectfully report that for the proper fulfilment of their duties they have secured the services of a competent and reliable accountant who reports he has examined the accounts of the Treasurer, compared the same with the vouchers, and found them correct.

HENRY ANSTICE,
BACHE MCE. WHITLOCK,

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1864.	By Cash on hand.....	\$57,545 00
Sept. 1st.		
1863.		

Sept. 1st. By Cash received since Sept. 1st, 1884, on account of:

Domestic Missions.....	\$112,640 49
Indian Missions	22,620 16
Coloured Missions.....	15,782 04

Foreign Missions.....
General Missions.....
Legacies
Legacies for Investment.....
Specials.....
Missionary Enrolment Fund
Church Missions House: Contributions.....
**Withdrawn for time being from Standing Com-
 mittee on Trust Funds:**

From temporary deposits for Domestic and Foreign Missions.	\$9,000 00
From "Cleveland Keith Fund" for China Mission	12,189 48

Personal loan from Mr. George Bliss.....
 "The Spirit of Missions"
 "The Young Christian Soldier".....
 "The Quarterly Message".....
 Received for purposes not relating to the
 current work of the Society

21,189 48
65,000 00
11,919 44
11,865 67
191 94
18,151 77

\$784,829.18

GEORGE BLISS, Treasurer.

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HENRY ANSTICE,
BACHE MCE. WHITLOCK,

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NEW YORK, September 1, 1895.

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HENRY ANSTICE,
BACHE MCE. WHITLOCK,

APPENDIX II. — 2.

TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BISHOP OF HAITI.

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America :

IN my last triennial report to the Board of Missions, I stated the steps that were then being taken to rebuild a Church edifice for the congregation at the Haitien capital, which had its Mission buildings destroyed by fire July 4, 1888.

Arrangements to that effect were so far advanced that the construction of an edifice in brick and iron was begun in February, 1894. Work, however, was suspended on the same in the month of June following, from causes that have been set forth in my annual reports made subsequently to the Board of Managers.

Obstacles that had prevented the continuation of the work were at last surmounted, and work thereon resumed last February. It was carried on slowly and intermittingly, to allow for the gathering of necessary funds to pay our way, and at last the edifice was so far completed as to be fit for occupation. This took place on the 13th instant, at the twenty-ninth annual session of the Church Convocation in this Republic. Eleven of our clergymen were present on that occasion, and lay members from various missionary stations. The Church was filled to its utmost capacity. About five hundred persons were present. Only a benedictory service was observed on that occasion, as the edifice cannot now be canonically consecrated, because of a debt due thereon. Moreover, the work on the edifice is not yet completed.

Since my last report two of our Presbyters have finished their labours in the Church Militant, and gone to their repose in the Paradise of God; viz., the late Reverends St. Denis Banduy and François Joseph Brown.

We have nine parochial schools in operation at our Mission stations, in Léogane, Mirébalais, Petit Fond, and Torbeck. Moreover, five of the sons of our clergy have been graduated as physicians, to co-operate with the clergy in the work of the Gospel among the afflicted poor, and thereby emphasis has been given to the humane aspect of the Gospel of Christ, while the ministry of the clergy gives due emphasis to its Divine aspect. As these two aspects were intimately joined together by Our Lord in His earthly ministry, they should never be put asunder in the missionary operations of the Church. These physicians of the Church carry on their healing ministry at various points of the Republic, and the results of their labours have been given in my last two annual reports to the Board of Managers.

We have every reason to believe that our triple Gospel work, carried on by ministers, physicians, and teachers, has given us a grasp on the very vitals of the nation, which will grow with its growth, and increase with its strength. Let it, however, be borne in mind that our work is carried on under the enervating influence of the tropics, and amidst the sluggishness of an undeveloped people; and that, therefore, such marvels of rapid progress are not to be looked for here, as characterize the railroad speed with which things move forward in the United States, under far more favourable circumstances.

Respectfully submitted with tabulated statistics.

JAMES THEODORE HOLLY.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI,
August 16, 1895.

THIRTIENAL REPORT OF THE HAITIEN CHURCH FROM JULY 1, 1883, TO JUNE 30, 1885.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	LOCALITIES.	Priests.	Lay Readers.	Missionary Stations.	Communicants.	Day Schools.	Day School Scholars.	Sunday Schools.	Sunday School Scholars.	Churches.	Chapels.	Parsonages.	Value of Churches or Chapels.	Value of Parsonages and other Property.	Collections, 1883, 1884, 1885.	Baptisms.			Confirmations.			Marriages.			Deaths.		
																1883.	1884.	1885.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1883.	1884.	1885.
Holy Trinity.	Port-au-Prince.	1	1	1	116	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	\$12,000 00	\$3,500 00	\$3,567 29	5	5	8	4	...	1	...	...	...	3	3	4
Good Shepherd.	Leogane.	2	1	5	172	3	121	5	121	...	5	...	500 00	500 00	1,004 10	23	24	52	...	29	...	1	6	4	6	10	7
Holy Saviour.	Aux Cayes.	1	...	1	40	...	...	1	40	1	...	...	2,500 00	800 00	1,300 00	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	6	1
Saint Paul.	Torbeck, Aux Cayes.	1	...	3	12	1	92	...	...	...	1	...	250 00	350 00	120 00	3	5	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	5	2	3
Resurrection.	Grand Morne (Gonaïves).	1	1	2	35	...	...	1	19	1	...	...	500 00	700 00	400 58	3	5	6	...	...	2	2	1	2	1	1	1
Good Saviour.	Petit Fond (Lacahobae).	...	1	1	15	1	12	1	6	...	1	...	100 00	350 00	320 50	2	2	5	...	13	...	...	1	4	3	...	...
St. Andrew.	Trinon (Miravalles).	1	...	3	30	1	34	1	13	...	1	...	100 00	350 00	508 91	7	...	16	...	19	...	...	4	7	4	...	...
Holy Ghost.	Aquin.	1	...	1	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	319 00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		8	4	14	17413	6	1253	9	109	3	8	...	\$13,500 00	\$5,550 00	\$7,550 73	53	51	80	8	33	32	4	16	17	27	23	16

PORT AU-PRINCE, AUGUST 16, 1885

JAMES THEODORE HOLLY,
Bishop of the Church in Haiti.

APPENDIX II. — 3.

BOARD OF MANAGERS, AND MEMBERS OF THE MISSIONARY COUNCIL OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, 1895-1898, CHOSEN BY THE GENERAL CONVENTION, 1895.

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Mr. John A. King.
Mr. Julien T. Davies.
Mr. Alfred Mills.
Mr. W. Bayard Cutting.
Mr. Bache McE. Whitlock.
Mr. Elihu Chauncey.
Mr. John Nicholas Brown.
Mr. Selden E. Marvin.
Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan.
Mr. Arthur Ryerson.
Mr. George Bliss.
Mr. George C. Thomas.

All the other Bishops of this Church, and the Secretary and Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and of the Board of Managers are members *ex officio* with all the privileges of membership except the right to vote.

THE MISSIONARY COUNCIL

comprises all the Bishops of this Church, all the members of the Board of Managers, such other clergymen or laymen as may be selected by the General Convention, and one Presbyter and one Layman from each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction to be chosen by the Convention, Council, or Convocation thereof.

MEMBERS OF THE MISSIONARY COUNCIL, 1895-1898, CHOSEN BY THE GENERAL CONVENTION, 1895.

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Rev. F. Page.

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Mr. E. L. Temple.

Rev. W. J. Harris, D.D.

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Mr. H. C. Curtis.

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Rev. H. W. Nelson, Jr., D.D.

WEST MISSOURI.

Rev. A. Allen.

Mr. H. D. Ashley.

Rev. C. Mann, D.D.

Mr. W. P. Coleman.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Rev. R. R. Swope, D.D.

Mr. W. S. Laidley.

Rev. J. S. Gibson.

Mr. W. P. Craighill.

Rev. W. H. Neilson, D.D.

NEW MEXICO.

Mr. L. B. Prince.

APPENDIX III.

REPORT OF THE AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND COMMISSION.

To the Board of Missions :

THE Trustees of the American Church Building Fund Commission respectfully present their annual report for the year ending August 31, 1895.

INTRODUCTORY.

It will be fifteen years on the twenty-fifth day of October, 1895, since the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, sitting as a Board of Missions, in St. George's Church, New York, gave existence to the American Church Building Fund Commission.

The centennial anniversary of the establishment of the Church in this country was at hand, and it was the ardent hope of many that when that event should arrive, namely, at the next session of the General Convention in 1883, a million dollars might be presented as an offering. The object of raising one million dollars was declared to be twofold: *first*, to be "a memorial of the providential care of God in the past; and, *secondly*, to be used in the extension of His Church in the future."

In order to provide for the carrying out of this second project, the plan of the Church Building Fund was proposed and adopted, and the Commission immediately created. This Commission was to be perpetual, and its members to be appointed at the time of the meeting of each General Convention of our Church.

As the western portion of our country was being rapidly settled, and the southern portion of it was recovering from the effects of the war, financial help to our Missionary Bishops and to struggling communities became absolutely essential, if the Episcopal Church was to establish itself to advantage in these portions of our country.

It were unwise to expect our Bishops to be absent from their Jurisdictions, begging money at the East, to carry on their work of Church extension, thereby losing valuable opportunities for effective work at home; and so it was believed that it would be a most judicious movement to raise a special fund for this purpose.

This one million dollars was to form the working capital of an organized corporation. Ninety per cent of this money could be loaned to build churches; each loan to be approved by the Bishop of the Diocese, to be secured by a first mortgage on the property, and to be made payable by five yearly notes, which should bear the legal rate of interest. The remaining portion of the capital is securely invested, and reserved as an emergency fund.

THE COMMISSION AS CONSTITUTED

consists of all the Bishops, of one Clergyman and one Layman from each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction, designated by its respective Bishop, and of twenty members at large appointed by the Presiding Bishop.

The Board of Trustees consists of seventeen of these Commissioners.

who are elected triennially, and to whom is committed the executive part of the work.

One Clergyman and one Layman from each Diocese, appointed by its Bishop, as above stated, are Diocesan Commissioners, whose duty it is to see that the work and claims of the Building Fund are brought prominently before the clergy and congregations of their respective Dioceses, and that collections are taken and forwarded to the Treasurer of the Commission. These Diocesan Commissioners are most important helpers in the general work. Too much stress cannot be laid upon the effective work which these Diocesan Commissioners can do, if they are at all imbued with the right spirit. Indifferent Commissioners are only a drag and a discouragement, while men of real heart and zeal have, in several Dioceses, proved what noble work can be done for the general cause. This is notably the case in Connecticut and Long Island.

Below are the names of the Officers of the Commission, of the Trustees of the Corporation, and of the Diocesan Commissioners. The Bishop of each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction is a member of the Commission, *ex-officio*.

OFFICERS OF THE COMMISSION.

President. — The Rt. Rev. JOHN WILLIAMS, D.D., LL.D.

Vice-Presidents. — The Rt. Rev. Drs. WHIPPLE, DOANE, GILLESPIE, and WHITEHEAD.

Secretary. — Mr. JAMES GRANT WILSON.

Corresponding Secretary. — The Rev. J. NEWTON PERKINS.

Special Secretary for Augmentation of Fund. — Mr. L. BRADFORD PRINCE.

Treasurer. — Mr. GEORGE BLISS.

Assistant Treasurer. — Mr. E. WALTER ROBERTS.

In January the Rev. Charles Howard Malcom, D.D., resigned his office as Corresponding Secretary, a place which he had filled for fourteen years, having been elected to that position when the Commission was formed. The Rev. J. Newton Perkins was elected to fill the unexpired term of office.

THE COMMISSION.

Twenty members at large appointed by the Presiding Bishop.

The Rev. Dr. DIX.....	New York.
The Rev. Dr. LANGFORD.....	New York.
The Rev. Dr. BATTERSHALL.....	Albany.
The Rev. Dr. HUNTINGTON.....	New York.
The Rev. Dr. VIBBERT.....	New York.
The Rev. Dr. JEFFERIS.....	Washington.
The Rev. Dr. ALSOP.....	Long Island.
The Rev. Mr. OLMSTED.....	Central N. Y.
The Rev. Mr. KELLY.....	California.
The Rev. Dr. ELLIOTT.....	Maryland.
The Rev. Mr. MURPHY.....	New Jersey.
The Rev. Dr. LITTELL.....	Delaware.
The Rev. Dr. COOPER.....	Long Island.
The Rev. Dr. MALCOM.....	New York.
Mr. L. BRADFORD PRINCE.....	New Mexico.
Mr. JOHN A. KING.....	Long Island.
Mr. WILLIAM G. LOW.....	Long Island.
Mr. CORNELIUS VANDERBILT.....	New York.
Mr. BUCHANAN WINTHROP.....	New York.
Mr. JAMES GRANT WILSON.....	New York.

One Clerical and one Lay Commissioner from each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction appointed by the Bishop thereof:

Alabama	Rev. J. L. TUCKER, D.D.	Mr. John W. Noble.
Albany	" J. D. MORRISON, D.D.	" G. B. McCartee.
Arkansas	" I. O. ADAMS	" Wm. B. Welch, M.I.
California	" E. B. SPALDING, L.H.D.	" J. G. Eastland.
Central New York	" P. N. MEADE	" W. M. White.
Central Pennsylvania,	" M. A. TOLMAN	" J. Brinton White.
Chicago	" B. F. FLEETWOOD, S.T.D.	" Emory Cobb.
Colorado	" E. P. NEWTON	" A. A. Bowhay.
Connecticut	" W. G. ANDREWS, D.D.	" Benj. Stark.
Delaware	" H. A. HENRY	" Horace Burr, M.D.
East Carolina	" R. B. DRANE, D.D.	" J. W. Albertson.
Easton	" WM. SCHOULER	" Wm. S. Walker.
Florida	" A. W. KNIGHT	" H. E. Dotterer.
Fond du Lac	" L. D. HOPKINS	" C. A. Galloway.
Georgia	" W. M. WALTON	" F. H. Miller.
Indiana	" J. H. RANGER	" L. B. Martin.
Iowa	" J. J. WILKINS, S.T.D.	" Jas. L. Bever.
Kansas	" C. R. HILL	" George Rockwell.
Kentucky	" E. H. WARD, D.D.	" S. K. Sneed.
Long Island	" A. B. KINSOLVING	" H. E. Pierrepont.
Louisiana	"	" J. McConnell.
Maine	"	" Henry Ingalls.
Maryland	" GEO. C. STOKES	"
Massachusetts	" A. H. VINTON, D.D.	" A. J. C. Sowdon.
Michigan	" WM. PRALL, PH.D.	" Hervey C. Parke.
Milwaukee	" H. B. ST. GEORGE, JR.	" L. H. Morehouse.
Minnesota	" F. R. MILLSPAUGH	" W. H. Lightner.
Mississippi	" DE B. WADDELL	" Peter P. Bailey.
Missouri	" CARROLL M. DAVIS	" Frank Carter.
Nebraska	" JOHN HEWITT	" John S. Smith.
Newark	" ANTHONY SCHUYLER, D.D.	" P. E. Johnson.
New Hampshire	" ITHAMAR W. BEARD	" George L. Balcom.
New Jersey	" CHAS. L. HIBBARD, D.D.	" John N. Carpenter.
New York	" JAS. MULCHANEY, D.D.	" E. T. Gerry.
North Carolina	"	" John Manning.
Ohio	" CYRUS S. BATES, D.D.	" Charles H. Moss.
Oregon	" G. B. VAN WATERS	" J. T. Eaton.
Pennsylvania	" S. D. MCCONNELL, D.D.	" T. H. Montgomery.
Pittsburgh	" AMOS BANNISTER	" G. M. T. Taylor.
Quincy	" C. W. LEFFINGWELL, D.D.	" W. H. Boniface.
Rhode Island	" GEO. J. MAGILL, D.D.	" G. C. Nightingale.
South Carolina	" BYRON HOLLEY	" A. Markley Lee.
Southern Ohio	" JOHN H. ELY	" T. H. C. Allen.
Southern Virginia	" ARTHUR S. LLOYD	" Jas. T. Harrison.
Springfield	" JOHANNES ROCKSTROH	" S. A. Foley.
Tennessee	" F. P. DAVENPORT, D.D.	" E. S. Mallory.
Texas	"	" A. S. Richardson.
Vermont	" WM. H. COLLINS	" Fred'k E. Smith.
Virginia	" H. CARMICHAEL, D.D.	" Joseph Wilmer.
Western Michigan	" CAMPBELL FAIR, D.D.	" David Fisher.
West Missouri	"	" W. E. Winner.
Western New York	" JAS. RANKINE, D.D.	" J. M. Smith, LL.D.
West Virginia	" S. SCOLLAY MOORE, D.D.	" W. P. Craighill.
Montana	" SYDNEY D. HOOKER	" S. T. Jones.
Nevada and Utah	" L. B. RIDGELY	" J. H. Woodman.
New Mex. and Ariz.	" HENRY FORRESTER	" J. F. Blandy.
North Dakota	" F. B. NASH, JR.	" E. C. Elwood.
Northern California	" J. A. SHEPHERD, D.D.	" J. P. Smith, M.D.
Northern Michigan	" G. MOTT WILLIAMS	"
Northern Texas	" E. WICKENS	" R. Morgan, Jr.
Oklahoma	" G. D. GUNN, D.D.	" A. J. Sprengel.
Olympia	" L. W. APPELEGATE	" D. C. Millett.
South Dakota	" J. H. BABCOCK	" G. R. Scougal.
Spokane	"	"
The Platte	" WM. LUCAS	" H. W. Oliver.
Western Colorado	" C. W. HODDER	" J. S. Lawrence.
Western Texas	" HORACE CLARK	" W. O. Hutchinson.
Wyoming and Idaho	"	" A. C. Jones.

THE TRUSTEES.

The Trustees of the "American Church Building Fund Commission" the corporate organization — whose term continues until the General Convention of 1895, are the following, Rev. Dr. Magill having be

elected in place of Rev. Dr. Alsop, resigned, and Mr. H. E. Pierrepont in place of Mr. Lemuel Coffin, deceased.

The Rt. Rev. THOMAS A. STARKEY, D.D.,	The Rev. T. GARDINER LITTELL, D.D.,
The Rt. Rev. JOHN SCARBOROUGH, D.D.,	The Rev. EDMUND D. COOPER, D.D.,
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The Rev. T. LOGAN MURPHY,	Mr. JAMES GRANT WILSON,
Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.	

Bishop STARKEY is Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

OBITUARY.

During the year past we have lost two members of our Commission by death: the Rt. Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker, Bishop of Indiana, a vice-president, and Mr. Lemuel Coffin, of Philadelphia.

Bishop Knickerbacker was a warm friend and advocate of the Commission from its inception. He was at heart a true missionary, and everything that helped toward the upbuilding and spread of the Church could look to him for support and sympathy. He was called suddenly from his earthly work — “His sun went down while it was yet day,” but the influence of such a life never dies. While we feel that, in his death, we have lost a most faithful and loyal friend, we bless God for his good example and take fresh courage for the work before us.

Mr. Lemuel Coffin was one of that number of laymen trained for Church work by the late Bishop Alonzo Potter. He was identified with all the great forward movements of his day, the oldest laymember of the Board of Managers, and from the first a Trustee of the Church Building Fund Commission. He was a deputy to the General Convention for many continuous sessions, and wielded great influence in that body. He was a successful merchant, and in dying remembered many charities, both in his parish and in the Church at large.

THE BISHOPS' RECOMMENDATION.

This recommendation, designating one particular Sunday in the latter part of both the ecclesiastical and secular year — the second Sunday in November — as that on which all congregations which have not already contributed during the year should be asked to make their offerings to the Church Building Fund, was first issued in 1887, when it appeared with the signatures of sixty-one Bishops. This number has been subsequently increased, until at the present time it bears the signatures of no less than ninety-four Bishops.

The recommendation is as follows, and we submit that such a document (with more signatures of American Bishops than were ever placed upon any other) ought not to be lightly regarded by either clergy or laity. The signatures appear as originally appended:

AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

We cordially unite in commending to the attention of all the clergy and congregations of our Church, the following resolution unanimously passed at the General Convention in Chicago:

Resolved, That the Board of Missions, composed of both Houses of the General Convention, renew the recommendation made in 1880, that every parish of our Church contribute annually to the American Church Building Fund, until the full sum of one million dollars is secured.

We recommend that in every parish in which an offering shall not

have been made for that purpose prior to that date, such offering be received on the second Sunday in November; and if, for any reason, that is impracticable, then on the next succeeding Sunday.

If the Church will respond in every parish and missionary station to this call of the Board of Missions, the entire Fund can be raised within a period comparatively short.

JOHN WILLIAMS, Bishop of Connecticut.
 WM. INGRAHAM KIP, Bishop of California.
 THOMAS M. CLARK, Bishop of Rhode Island.
 ALEXANDER GREGG, Bishop of Texas.
 G. T. BEDELL, Bishop of Ohio.
 H. B. WHIPPLE, Bishop of Minnesota.
 RICHARD H. WILMER, Bishop of Alabama.
 THOMAS H. VAIL, Bishop of Kansas.
 A. CLEVELAND COXE, Bishop of Western New York.
 CHARLES T. QUINTARD, Bishop of Tennessee.
 C. M. WILLIAMS, Bishop of Yedo.
 HENRY A. NEELY, Bishop of Maine.
 DANIEL S. TUTTLE, Bishop of Missouri.
 JOHN W. BECKWITH, Bishop of Georgia.
 B. WISTAR MORRIS, Bishop of Oregon.
 A. N. LITTLEJOHN, Bishop of Long Island.
 WM. CROSWELL DOANE, Bishop of Albany.
 F. D. HUNTINGTON, Bishop of Central New York.
 O. W. WHITAKER, Bishop of Pennsylvania.
 HENRY N. PIERCE, Bishop of Arkansas.
 W. W. NILES, Bishop of New Hampshire.
 W. B. W. HOWE, Bishop of South Carolina.
 M. A. DE W. HOWE, Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.
 WILLIAM H. HARE, Mis. Bishop of South Dakota.
 BENJ. H. PADDOCK, Bishop of Massachusetts.
 THEO. B. LYMAN, Bishop of North Carolina.
 J. F. SPALDING, Bishop of Colorado.
 EDWARD RANDOLPH WELLES, Bishop of Milwaukee.
 J. H. D. WINGFIELD, Mis. Bishop of Northern California.
 ALEX. C. GARRETT, Mis. Bishop of Northern Texas.
 W. F. ADAMS, Bishop of Easton.
 THOMAS U. DUDLEY, Bishop of Kentucky.
 JOHN SCARBOROUGH, Bishop of New Jersey.
 GEORGE D. GILLESPIE, Bishop of Western Michigan.
 THOS. A. JAGGAR, Bishop of Southern Ohio.
 WM. E. McLAREN, Bishop of Chicago.
 J. H. HOBART BROWN, Bishop of Fond du Lac.
 WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, Bishop of Iowa.
 ALEX. BURGESS, Bishop of Quincy.
 GEORGE W. PETERKIN, Bishop of West Virginia.
 GEO. F. SEYMOUR, Bishop of Springfield.
 SAMUEL S. HARRIS, Bishop of Michigan.
 THOMAS A. STARKEY, Bishop of Newark.
 J. N. GALLEHER, Bishop of Louisiana.
 GEO. K. DUNLOP, Mis. Bishop of New Mexico, etc.
 L. R. BREWER, Mis. Bishop of Montana.
 JOHN A. PADDOCK, Mis. Bishop of Washington Territory.
 CORTLAND WHITEHEAD, Bishop of Pittsburgh.
 HUGH MILLER THOMPSON, Bishop of Mississippi.
 D. B. KNICKERBACKER, Bishop of Indiana.
 HENRY C. POTTER, Bishop of New York.

ALFRED M. RANDOLPH, Bishop of Southern Virginia.
WILLIAM D. WALKER, Bishop of North Dakota.
A. A. WATSON, Bishop of East Carolina.
WM. J. BOONE, Bishop of Shanghai.
NELSON SOMERVILLE RULISON, Asst. Bishop of Cent. Pa.
WILLIAM PARET, Bishop of Maryland.
GEORGE WORTHINGTON, Bishop of Nebraska.
SAMUEL D. FERGUSON, Bishop of Cape Palmas, etc.
EDWIN G. WEED, Bishop of Florida.
MAHLON N. GILBERT, Asst. Bishop of Minnesota.
E. S. THOMAS, Bishop of Kansas.
ETHELBERT TALBOT, Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho.
JAMES S. JOHNSON, Mis. Bishop of Western Texas.
ABIEL LEONARD, Mis. Bishop of Utah, etc.
LEIGHTON COLEMAN, Bishop of Delaware.
J. MILLS KENDRICK, Mis. Bishop of New Mexico, etc.
BOYD VINCENT, Asst. Bishop of Southern Ohio.
CYRUS F. KNIGHT, Bishop of Milwaukee.
CHARLES C. GRAFTON, Bishop of Fond du Lac.
W. A. LEONARD, Bishop of Ohio.
THOS. F. DAVIES, Bishop of Michigan.
ANSON R. GRAVES, Mis. Bishop of The Platte.
WILLIAM F. NICHOLS, Bishop of California.
EDWARD R. ATWILL, Bishop of West Missouri.
HENRY M. JACKSON, Asst. Bishop of Alabama.
DAVIS SESSUMS, Bishop of Louisiana.
PHILLIPS BROOKS, Bishop of Massachusetts.
ISAAC L. NICHOLSON, Bishop of Milwaukee.
CLELAND K. NELSON, Bishop of Georgia.
CHARLES R. HALE, Asst. Bishop of Springfield.
GEORGE H. KINSOLVING, Bishop of Texas.
LEMUEL H. WELLS, Mis. Bishop of Spokane.
WM. CRANE GRAY, Mis. Bishop of Southern Florida.
FRANCIS K. BROOKE, Mis. Bishop of Oklahoma, etc.
WILLIAM M. BARKER, Mis. Bishop of Western Colorado.
JOHN MCKIM, Mis. Bishop of Tokyo.
F. R. GRAVES, Bishop of Shanghai.
ELLISON CAPERS, Asst. Bishop of South Carolina.
THOMAS F. GAILOR, Asst. Bishop of Tennessee.
WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Bishop of Massachusetts.
JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, Jr., Bishop of North Carolina.
JOHN B. NEWTON, Asst. Bishop Diocese of Virginia.
JOHN HAZEN WHITE, Bishop of Indiana.

GROWTH OF THE FUND.

While the growth of the Fund, the past year, has been slow, we must remember that many parishes, as well as individuals, have been obliged to curtail their gifts from motives of self-preservation, and that while the receipts have been smaller than in other years, the interest in the work is, we believe, growing.

There are a few churches which have sent contributions to the Fund, with great regularity, each year since its commencement. There are others which, beginning later, have yet been very regular and prompt in their contributions, and there are new names of parishes and individuals appearing on the list each year.

In this matter of church collections we have to rely almost entirely upon each rector to interest his people. It is difficult to understand

Now any clergyman in charge of a parish can conscientiously ignore the repeated recommendation of the Bishops, that a collection be taken for this object in every church, *once in each year*. At least he should feel bound to state the claims of the Commission to his congregation, or circulate among them its annual reports, in order that they may be informed of the work, and be given an opportunity to judge for themselves whether they will contribute to the Fund. This right of the laity to know and decide for themselves is often denied them by an unsympathetic rector. We want every layman of our Communion to know the important work which the Building Fund *has* done, and is destined to do for all time, in establishing the Church of God in the feeble communities of our land. We seek individual gifts from every baptized member of the Church. We want every adult and every child to know that each dollar given to the Fund will be doing good perpetually, — helping one mission or parish, after another, to build a church.

The table below gives the amount of the Permanent Fund at various periods, from its commencement in the fall of 1880, to the present time :

Dec. 1, 1881	\$7,897.59	Sept. 1, 1888	\$150,832.13
Sept. 1, 1882	21,809.52	“ 1, 1889	176,786.35
“ 1, 1883	46,455.43	“ 1, 1890	190,175.49
“ 1, 1884	54,226.95	“ 1, 1891	207,435.22
“ 1, 1885	62,879.77	“ 1, 1892	226,241.72
“ 1, 1886	68,483.91	“ 1, 1893	239,586.37
Jan. 1, 1887	69,249.08	“ 1, 1894	261,054.88
Sept. 1, 1887	81,875.93	“ 1, 1895	275,077.70

DIOCESAN CONTRIBUTIONS.

The following table gives the total amount contributed by each Diocese and Jurisdiction from 1880 to September 1, 1895, and also the amount previously reported to September 1, 1894; thus showing the sum received from each during the past fiscal year.

It is proper to remember, in reading these lists, that West Missouri has had the benefit of one Named Fund of \$50,000; New York of four, amounting to \$20,000; Maryland of one of \$10,000; and Long Island, Pennsylvania, and Connecticut, one each of \$5,000.

The table is as follows, the jurisdictions recently set apart being included in the Dioceses from which they were taken :

	Contributions Sept. 1, 1894.	Contributions Sept. 1, 1895.
Alabama	\$149.13	\$159.33
Albany	2,867.38	2,934.38
Arkansas	153.25	153.25
California	3,951.39	3,960.24
Central New York	3,627.72	3,838.05
Central Pennsylvania	5,200.35	5,428.08
Chicago	933.08	933.08
Colorado and Western Colorado	248.47	259.67
Connecticut	11,804.49	12,563.79
Delaware	758.37	818.44
East Carolina	207.74	215.52
Easton	336.06	369.12
Florida and Southern Florida	268.70	376.70
Fond du Lac	355.96	360.52
Georgia	316.35	317.95
Indiana	518.64	548.72
Iowa	238.73	238.73

	Contributions Sept. 1, 1894.	Contributions Sept. 1, 1895.
.	297.47	308.65
.	2,076.19	2,086.99
nd	18,650.42	19,527.49
.	267.70	320.90
.	207.28	212.68
.	13,663.44	14,092.47
setts	16,524.35	17,480.82
.	1,313.32	1,425.88
e	532.49	561.39
.	1,595.49	1,632.61
li	180.62	185.27
.	3,147.93	3,217.58
and The Platte	274.44	276.26
.	3,991.23	4,311.94
pshire	903.55	973.07
ny	7,763.40	7,888.02
.	51,210.48	58,145.43
olina	789.47	831.87
.	8,444.16	8,721.23
.	258.80	266.00
ania	23,032.10	23,973.79
h	3,102.10	3,134.33
.	381.30	442.11
and	3,090.76	3,359.32
olina	428.92	548.01
Ohio	3,816.20	3,917.51
d	205.66	205.66
.	471.44	473.04
.	259.40	291.50
.	426.44	455.12
nd Southern Virginia	383.50	419.43
Michigan	421.81	488.08
New York	6,752.72	7,146.52
ginia	431.26	451.00
souri	50,473.54	50,478.54
kota	43.58	43.58
kota	687.31	769.54
.	71.45	71.45
.	154.44	159.59
.	139.80	139.80
ico and Arizona	248.80	252.10
California	234.97	234.97
Texas	65.95	68.55
nd Spokane	110.00	110.00
.	235.30	235.30
exas	172.77	176.52
.	55.46	60.36
.	433.63	433.63
eous	707.23	596.23
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	\$261,054.88	\$275,077.70

be as well here to notice a criticism which is sometimes heard
our business methods. It has been asked, “Why should you
l to collections and gifts of money as a *charitable* institution?
trictly a business corporation, taking interest on your invest-

ments, and securing yourselves by a mortgage on the property. Why, more than any incorporated investment company, should you ask for contributions from Churchmen and take annual collections in churches and be under the special patronage of bishops?"

We admit that, as a body of men, entrusted with money to use in the cause of Church extension, we adopt such recognized business methods as will secure our funds against loss. As trustees, are we not bound so to do?

We seek to increase our capital by appealing to Churchmen, because we are doing the Church's work, extending in this way the kingdom of Christ upon earth. We want a full treasury in order to do all the good we can in every direction, and we want every child of the Church to feel that he has an individual interest in the work of church building, as much as in any other kind of missionary labour, at home or abroad.

Again we must remember that while, at the East, it is comparatively easy to borrow money on church property, especially in the populous cities and towns, it is quite another thing to obtain a loan upon a small lot and an unoccupied building in a frontier town of the West. We are not loaning our money for the sake of accruing interest, but for the purpose of helping our weaker brother to build a place of worship. If such an enterprise may not justly appeal to every Churchman, then we fail to see the reason.

It should also be borne in mind that instead of hoarding our interest money, our charter expressly provides for its distribution as a free gift to needy parishes, saying: "It shall be the duty of the Building Fund Commission . . . to apply the income thereof in aid of the building of new churches, as they shall deem proper."

No secular loan association, that we know of, makes any such provision for the distribution of its income.

NOTABLE CHURCHES.

The list of churches which had with greatest regularity followed the system provided at the General Convention for raising the Church Building Fund, by regular annual offerings, as published last year, showed seven that had contributed every year, four that had missed but one year, and twelve that had missed but two.

Conscientious regularity becomes such a habit in time, that but two of the entire number failed to respond during the year 1894, and probably in those two cases there was some specially good reason.

In one case (St. Luke's, Lebanon, Central Pennsylvania), the rector explained the circumstances by letter; and the other (Church of the Incarnation, Washington), has been so exceptionally faithful in never having before missed a single year, that we hope to welcome it back into the list of contributors in 1895.

The list as it now stands is as follows:

Churches which have contributed every year (fourteen years):

St. Peter's	Albany.
Grace	Brooklyn.
St. Luke's	"
Trinity	Newport, R. I.
St. Peter's	Geneva, W. N. Y.
St. Paul's	Buffalo.

† Those which have sent offerings in thirteen of the fourteen years are:

St. Ann's	Brooklyn, L. I.
Incarnation	New York (over \$2,400).

St. Mark's	Mauch Chunk, C. Pa.
Incarnation	Washington.
St. Luke's	Rochester, W. N. Y.

Those which have sent during ten years are :

St. John's	Canandaigua, W. N. Y.
Trinity	Geneva, W. N. Y.
St. John's	Mt. Morris, W. N. Y.
Grace	Orange, Newark.
St. John's	Elizabeth, N. J.
St. Thomas'	New York (over \$2,400).
St. Luke's	Lebanon, C. Pa.
St. Paul's	Chestnut Hill, Pa.
St. Luke's	Bustleton, Pa.
St. Anne's	Annapolis, Md. (12 times).
St. Paul's	Cleveland, O. (over \$2,600).
Trinity	Cleveland, O. (over \$2,000).
Trinity	Parkersburg, W. Va.

There are many churches which for some reason did not contribute in the earlier years of the existence of the Building Fund, but which have since shown a lively interest in its prosperity, and send the annual offering regularly. In such cases and especially where a zealous rector has come into a parish and is doing his whole duty in these matters, it scarcely seems just that the proper recognition should not be accorded, simply because, under other circumstances, the parish did not contribute eight or ten years ago.

To meet these cases we published last year a list of churches not included in the list above, which had contributed annually for the preceding five years, and proposed to continue it in each future report, so that due acknowledgment should be made to those who are zealously aiding the work in these latter days.

The list published last year included one hundred and six churches; and ninety-seven will be found in the following list, which represents those which have regularly contributed during the last six years.

The following is the list of churches which have contributed :

Albany	Green Island	St. Mark's.
Central New York	Utica	Grace (8 times).
" "	Oxford	St. Paul's.
Central Pennsylvania	Allentown	Grace.
" "	Pottsville	Trinity.
" "	Scranton	Good Shepherd.
" "	South Bethlehem	Nativity.
" "	Williamsport	Christ.
Connecticut	Bridgeport	Christ.
"	Guilford	Christ.
"	Groton	Seabury Memorial.
"	Hartford	Trinity.
"	Meriden	St. Andrew's.
"	New Haven	St. Paul's.
"	New London	St. James'.
"	Newtown	Trinity.
"	Southport	Trinity.
"	Stratford	Christ.
"	Watertown	Christ.
Easton	Elkton	Trinity.
"	Chestertown	Emmanuel.

Florida	Thonotosassa	Trinity.
Fond du Lac	Oconto	St. Mark's.
Georgia	Marietta	St. James'.
Long Island	Astoria	Redeemer.
"	Brooklyn	St. Augustine.
"	"	St. James'.
"	"	St. Mark's.
"	Great Neck	All Saints'.
"	Flushing	St. George's.
"	Hempstead	St. George's.
"	Islip	Emmanuel.
Louisiana	Napoleonville	Christ.
Maryland	Washington	St. Paul's.
Massachusetts	Boston, South	St. Matthew's.
"	Lawrence	Grace.
"	Worcester	All Saints'.
Michigan	Detroit	St. John's.
Milwaukee	Ashippun	St. Paul's.
Minnesota	Minneapolis	St. Paul's.
"	Red Wing	Christ.
"	Sauk Centre	Good Samaritan.
Missouri	St. Louis	Christ Cathedral.
Newark	Hackensack	Christ.
"	Paterson	St. Paul's.
"	Orange	All Saints'.
New Hampshire	Concord	St. Paul's.
New Jersey	Burlington	St. Barnabas'.
"	Elizabeth	Christ.
"	"	Grace.
"	Salem	St. John's.
"	South Amboy	Christ.
"	Swedesboro'	Trinity.
New York	New York	Calvary.
"	"	St. Bartholomew'.
"	"	St. Andrew's.
"	"	St. James'.
"	"	Trinity.
"	"	Trinity Chapel.
"	"	St. Paul's.
"	"	St. Augustine's.
"	Rye	Christ.
North Carolina	Henderson	Holy Innocents'.
Ohio	Massilon	St. Timothy.
"	Warren	Christ.
Oregon	The Dalles	St. Paul's.
Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	Advent.
"	"	St. James'.
"	" (Kingsessing)	St. James'.
"	" (Lower Dublin)	All Saints'.
"	" (Southwark)	Trinity.
Pittsburgh	Brownsville	Christ.
"	Meadville	Christ.
Quincy	Knoxville	St. Mary's.
"	Rock Island	Trinity.
Rhode Island	Pawtucket	Trinity.
"	Providence	Grace.
"	"	Redeemer.
"	"	St. John's.

de Island	Providence	St. Stephen's.
"	"	All Saints' Memor'l.
"	Westerly	Christ.
th Carolina	Abbeville	Trinity.
thern Ohio	Cincinnati	Our Saviour.
mont	Bellows Falls	Immanuel.
"	Burlington	St. Paul's.
stern New York	Rochester	St. Paul's.
stern Missouri	Kansas City	Trinity.
r Mexico	Santa Fé	Holy Faith.
th Dakota	Madison	Grace.
"	Mitchell	St. Mary's.
"	Springfield	Ascension.
"	Yankton Agency	Holy Fellowship.
"	Rosebud "	Church of Jesus.
"	Crow Creek "	St. John Baptist.
"	" "	Christ.
"	Cheyenne	St. John's.

11 of the above are certainly entitled to this honourable mention for loyalty to the Church's call and the excellent example they have to others. If every parish had followed this not very difficult rule making one offering each year, *regularly*, the result would have surmounted themselves, and the entire Church Building Fund of one million dollars would have been complete long since.

A zealous and faithful clergyman has drawn attention to what seems to him an injustice in making up this list, — that is, that it gives the names of parishes and not the names of clergymen. He says, correctly,

he has never failed to take this offering since the Fund was begun, that having been in three different parishes, none of which sent him while he was there, his regularity and faithfulness do not show on the list. We admit the justice of this; but it is impossible for us to follow the course of individual clergymen, as the acknowledgments are made to parishes. But if any clergymen who have regularly sent offerings, year by year, will send us their names, we will gladly make proper mention of the fact. It is right that such instances should be recorded, if only as bright examples.

THE NAMED FUNDS

is especially deserving of notice. By these we mean the development of a plan proposed, and already in operation, whereby the gift of \$5,000 or more, made by an individual or a parish, shall bear the name of the donor, or some other person, to be determined by the giver. We have \$5,000 at this present time, contributed in this way by nine persons; and also \$5,000 contributed in smaller amounts, by three different parties, and distinguished as "Memorial Gifts." Below we give the names of the donors and the amount of their respective gifts.

We especially commend this plan of aiding the Fund, to all Churchmen who are interested in the work of Church extension, in its various forms, and we plead for gifts to its treasury during their lifetime, or for remembrance in their wills.

We earnestly call upon the clergy to present this matter of the Named Fund to their people, and to assure them that there is no safer nor more useful way, by which they can leave their money to do good in the future, than by placing it with the Building Fund; because it will be continually used for Christ's work in the practical form of erecting churches. And so long as the Fund shall exist (which must be for all time) the names of those who have been designated by the giver shall

be inscribed upon the records of the Commission, that they who read of the gift shall also be reminded of the one in whose memory it has been given.

Already one such gift (of \$50,000) perpetuates the name of an honoured and beloved Bishop; one (of \$10,000) perpetuates the name of "a zealous priest of the Church," and others recall the names of faithful laymen in different Dioceses.

One gift of \$5,000 has been received the past year from a New York Churchman.

The Named Funds are founded upon the following resolution, adopted February 17, 1887:

Resolved, That every donation of \$5,000 or more be preserved as a separate Fund, by the name of the donor, or as a memorial, or otherwise, as designated by him; and that such donor be permitted to direct the disposition of the income of such Fund, geographically or otherwise, within the scope and powers of this Commission.

The Named Funds at present are as follows:

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| 1. — The Annie Bedell Memorial Fund | \$5,000 |
| Founded by Mr. William G. Low, of Long Island. | |
| 2. — The Cornelius Vanderbilt Fund | 5,000 |
| Founded by Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, of New York. | |
| 3. — The Bishop Robertson Memorial Fund | 50,000 |
| Founded in 1888 by Mr. Willard E. Winner, of Kansas City, Mo. | |
| (This Fund is not yet available for loans.) | |
| 4. — The Margaretta S. Lewis Memorial Fund | 5,000 |
| Founded in 1888 by the executors of Miss Margaretta S. Lewis, of Philadelphia, Pa. | |
| 5. — The Julia Merritt Memorial Fund | 5,000 |
| Founded in 1889 by Mrs. Julia Merritt, of New York. | |
| 6. — The Mary Caroline Rockwell Fund | 5,000 |
| Founded in 1891 by Mr. Gould Rockwell, of Ridgefield, Conn. | |
| 7. — The Thomas Clapp Pitkin Memorial Fund | 5,000 |
| Founded by a Churchman of New York. | |
| 8. — The Charles Scott Memorial Fund | 10,000 |
| Founded by legacy of Charles Scott, of Washington, D. C., 1893. | |
| 9. — The Frances E. Stryker Memorial Fund | 5,000 |
| Founded by a New York Churchman, 1895. | |

In addition to the above, the Commission holds smaller special funds as memorials, in accordance with a privilege granted by the Board of Missions, and first mentioned in the annual report of the year 1884. Permission was granted that any testator might give a memorial name to a special bequest. It is reasonable to suppose that, as the years go on, such bequests will be made. Also, apart from legacies, the Commission may be made the recipient of sums less than \$5,000, which may hold a place of honour amongst the Named Funds. In this way the Commission now holds the following funds in addition to those mentioned above:

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| The Louisa S. Vought Memorial Fund | \$4,000 |
| Legacy of Mrs. Louisa S. Vought, of Freehold, N. J. | |
| The Marianna A. Ogden Fund | 500 |
| Gift of Mrs. Marianna A. Ogden, of Fordham, N. Y. | |
| The Isaac De Voe Memorial Fund | 500 |
| Legacy of Mr. Isaac De Voe, of Spottswood, N. J. | |

GIFTS FROM OUR INTEREST FUND.

During the past two years the Commission has made gifts of money from its Interest Fund, to feeble churches, whose circumstances especially justified them in applying for a gift rather than for a loan. It would be unwise, and hardly right, to burden a parish with a loan if there were but little prospect of its being able to repay it; and there are many missions (as in the Indian Territory) which could not mortgage their property as security for a loan, owing to their inability to give a title. In such special instances gifts of money, judiciously made, are a great help, and have at times averted serious disaster.

This system is pursued largely by the Church of England and by the several Church Extension Societies in existence in this country.

Since May, 1893, we have made fifty-seven such gifts, aggregating \$7,403.50. Nineteen of these, amounting to \$2,500, were made since September 1, 1894.

The following is the list of gifts paid to September, 1895:

No.	Diocese.	Town.	Church.	Amount.
1	Mississippi	Greenville	St. James'	\$43.50
2	Kansas	Hooper	St. James'	250.00
3	Tennessee . . .	W. Nashville . . .	St. Andrew's	300.00
4	Virginia	Chatham	Trinity	200.00
5	So. Dakota . . .	Chamberlain . . .	Christ Church	200.00
6	So. Carolina . .	Bluffton	Ochetie	100.00
7	"	"	"	200.00
8	Georgia	Brunswick	St. Jude's	200.00
9	Virginia	Port Conway . . .	Emmanuel	10.00
10	E. Carolina . . .	Elizabeth City . . .	St. John's	100.00
11	Maine	Kingman	Mission	200.00
12	Maryland	St. George's Island .	Wm. and Mary Parish .	200.00
13	Connecticut . . .	Putnam	St. Philip's	250.00
14	New York	Woodstock	Christ Church	50.00
15	Georgia	Brunswick	St. Athanasius'	100.00
16	California	Los Angeles	Ascension	50.00
17	So'n Florida . . .	Punta Gorda	Mission	200.00
18	Maryland	Calvert Co. . . .	Middletown Chapel . .	100.00
19	N. Carolina . . .	Bryson City	St. Stephen's	50.00
20	Pennsylvania . .	Plymouth	St. Peter's	200.00
21	N. Carolina . . .	Louisburg	St. Matthias'	100.00
22	So. Florida . . .	Cassia	Mission	100.00
23	"	Haines City	"	200.00
24	"	Yalaka	"	150.00
25	So. Carolina . . .	Hagood	Church Ascension . . .	100.00
26	"	Edisto Island	Trinity	100.00
27	Alabama	Huntsville	All Saints' Chapel . . .	150.00
28	Wisconsin	Waterloo	St. Stephen's	200.00
29	Georgia	Thomasville	Church Good Shepherd,	100.00
30	N. Carolina . . .	Beaver Dam	Mission	150.00
31	Albany	Castleton	"	25.00
32	Virginia	Clarkton	St. Thomas'	25.00
33	N. Carolina . . .	Grace	St. Titus' Chapel . . .	50.00
34	W. Virginia . . .	Kenova	Grace Mission	200.00
35	Mississippi . . .	West Point	Church Incarnation . .	50.00
36	N. Hampshire, . .	Laconia	St. James'	200.00
37	N. Carolina . . .	Sandford	Holy Faith	100.00
38	Iowa	Spirit Lake	Good Shepherd	200.00
39	California	Palo Alto	Chapel of Stanford Univ.	250.00

No.	Diocese.	Town.	Church.	Amount.
40	Virginia . .	Edgehill . . .	Memorial Chapel . . .	\$150.00
41	Alabama . .	Florence . . .	Trinity	250.00
42	S. Virginia .	Clifton Forge . .	St. Andrew's	250.00
43	Minnesota . .	Mazeppa	St. Andrew's Chapel .	50.00
44	Nebraska . .	Palmer	Mission Chapel . . .	100.00
45	Idaho	Wallace	Holy Trinity	100.00
46	E. Carolina .	Farmville	Emmanuel	100.00
47	N. Carolina .	Chun's Cove . . .	St. Luke's	100.00
48	Mississippi .	Winona	Mission Chapel . . .	100.00
49	W. New York,	Orchard Park . .	St. Mark's	200.00
50	W. Michigan .	Grand Rapids . .	St. Paul's	200.00
51	E. Carolina .	Atkinson	St. Thomas'	75.00
52	So. Carolina .	Hagood	Ascension	25.00
53	Texas	Temple	Christ Church	100.00
54	Indian Territ'y,	Tahlequah	Mission	100.00
55	"	Lehigh	"	50.00
56	W. New York,	Sinclairville . .	All Saints'	150.00
57	Indian Territ'y,	Tahlequah	Mission	50.00
Total				\$7,403.50

It is but just to others, as well as to ourselves, to say that the Commission has voted to give to thirteen other parishes or missions gifts of money amounting to \$1,650, but that these gifts have not yet been taken.

Our established rule is to require from the rector, in each case where a gift of money has been granted, a statement that all payments on the building have been made excepting the amount of our gift, which when received will complete the church and free it from debt. A gift not taken within ninety days after its grant is considered void.

The same rule applies to loans which have been voted by the Commission, and not applied for within ninety days. Experience has shown us that if we did not make this rule, our money would be tied up, and applications for loans or gifts could not be acted upon, although we might have the money in hand.

LOANS TO CHURCHES.

At the date of the last report (September, 1894) 270 loans had been made. To this number thirty-five have been added the past year, making the total 305. The amount of money loaned in the past fourteen years is \$327,511.88.

The total amount of money now outstanding on loan is \$175,247.67.

During the year past \$20,480.06 has been paid on the principal of outstanding loans. Since the last report fifteen loans have been paid off and the mortgages satisfied. This makes 105 churches in all which have cancelled their indebtedness to us, and are now absolutely free from debt.

The entire amount which has been once loaned, and returned to the Fund, now exceeds \$152,000. Having accomplished its mission, this large sum has, from time to time, come back to the treasury to be sent out on new errands of usefulness, and no small part of it has returned a second time and been again despatched to continue its work. This illustrates, very strikingly, the wonderful power for good possessed by every dollar which is placed in the Fund, and is the best argument for its rapid enlargement.

THE VALUE OF LOANS.

Bishop Whipple recently wrote to the Commission: "I desire to express to the American Church Building Fund Commission my heartfelt gratitude for the generous loans they have made to the churches in Minnesota. For the last few years short crops and general financial depression have given us the heaviest burdens we have been called upon to bear. Churches have been built on property saved to the Church, which could not have been done without your generous aid.

"With a full heart I send you my love and my blessing, and He who never forgets a deed of love will surely repay the unknown benefactors (unknown to us but known to Him) who have made it possible for you to extend this timely aid to us."

And Bishop Brooke writes: "We owe the having good and suitable churches at Guthrie, Oklahoma City, and Stillwater, and the Bishop's house at Guthrie, to the loans of the Commission. The great gain lies not only in getting suitable churches sooner than we otherwise could, but in the further fact that the loans stimulate self-help. Each of these places had done all it could at the time. So had the Bishop. Now, stretched over five years, the missions can do more towards paying for their own churches, and are faithfully trying to do so."

In conclusion, the Trustees of the Church Building Fund appeal most earnestly to all Churchmen to sustain this important work.

They feel that they have labored faithfully for fifteen years, and can refer to their published reports with satisfaction. They have been careful in their investments, judicious in their gifts and loans of money, and have striven to carry out in every particular the wishes of those who appointed them. Not a dollar has been lost through bad investments or loans.

Having given their best services to the work, they most earnestly and prayerfully ask for increased interest on the part of Churchmen throughout the land, and for more generous gifts. They appeal to rectors of parishes who have not yet given any encouragement to the work, to stir up their congregations to an annual offering, in accordance with the Bishops' recommendation; and they appeal to every Churchman whom God has blessed with ample means, to make liberal gifts for the establishment of His Church on earth.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN SCARBOROUGH,
EDMUND D. COOPER,
JAMES GRANT WILSON,
Committee.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND COMMISSION
THE AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND COMMISSION, in account with GEO. BLISS

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1895.	Sept. 1. To Cash paid out since Sept. 1, 1894:		1894.
	Donations to Churches in the following Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions:		Sept. 1. By Cash on hand
	One in Alabama	\$250 00	1895.
	One in California	250 00	Sept. 1. By Cash received since Sept. 1, 1894:
	One in Idaho	100 00	Permanent Building Fund
	Two in Indian Territory...	200 00	Interest on Loans and Investments
	One in Mississippi	100 00	Loans returned.....
	One in Missouri.....	50 00	
	One in Nebraska	100 00	
	Four in North Carolina	875 00	
	One in New York	200 00	
	Two in South Carolina.....	225 00	
	One in Texas	100 00	
	Two in Virginia.....	400 00	
	One in Western New York,	150 00	
	Loans to Churches in the following Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions:		
	Two in Arkansas	3,500 00	
	One in Chicago	1,000 00	
	Two in Colorado.....	1,500 00	
	One in Easton.....	1,000 00	
	One in Fond du Lac	450 00	
	One in Idaho.....	1,000 00	
	One in Iowa.....	1,000 00	
	One in Kentucky	1,000 00	
	One in Maryland	1,000 00	
	One in Minnesota	5,000 00	
	Two in Mississippi.....	2,800 00	
	One in Northern California,	500 00	
	One in Northern Texas....	500 00	
	One in Ohio	3,000 00	
	Four in Olympia.....	1,500 00	
	Two in Oregon.....	1,000 00	
	One in Quincy	4,500 00	
	One in South Carolina ..	500 00	
	Three in Southern Florida,	3,500 00	
	One in Southern Virginia..	400 00	
	Two in Tennessee	785 00	
	One in Western Michigan,	200 00	
	Two in Western Texas ..	785 00	
	One in West Missouri	5,000 00	
	Insurance on four churches added to loans	30 55	
	Salary of Cor. Secretary,	1,499 18	
	Salary of Asst. Treasurer,	499 13	
	Printing	634 77	
	Legal Expenses	255 00	
	Office Expenses	437 22	
	Rent	320 04	
	Traveling Expenses ..	57 03	
	Special Secretary (Salary, Expenses, Printing, etc.)	1,429 83	
	Cor. Secretary's Expenses,	176 61	
	Furniture and Safe	300 81	
	To balance on hand....	11,113 13	
		<u>\$61,714 88</u>	

PERMANENT FUND.

Total amount of Permanent Building Fund to September 1, 1895 (of which "Bishop Robertson Memorial Fund," as invested by the giver, and not now available for loans, \$30,000)

INVESTMENTS

Bonds and Mortgages securing 200 loans to churches, as per detailed list herewith,
 Bonds of Trinity Church, Kansas City, Mo. (Bishop Robertson Memorial Fund)....
 Bond and Mortgage on improved New York City property ..
 Bonds and Mortgages on improved Brooklyn City property ..
 Bond of the University of the South (Invested by the giver).....

GEORGE BLISS, Treasurer.

APPENDIX IV.—1.

TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

*To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the
United States:*

The Trustees of the General Theological Seminary have the honour to present this, their Triennial Report, in compliance with the second Article of the Constitution.

For the details of the proceedings of the Board since the last meeting of the General Convention, they beg leave to refer to the printed documents, which are herewith transmitted.

I. PROPERTY AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The property and financial condition of the Seminary, as reported at the last Annual Meeting of the Trustees, was as follows:

VALUE OF REAL ESTATE.

64 lots and buildings (Seminary Block)	(not valued)
32 lots on Central Block	\$320,000.00
25 lots on Wharf Block, with Bulkhead	280,000.00
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121 lots	\$600,000.00
Deduct Mortgage to Trust Funds	63,078.78
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	\$536,921.22

PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Buildings, Bonds, and Mortgages.

Buildings and leases of lots, 1-4, 8-12, 12½, 13-16, 24, 25, 23-32, and deficiency judgments	\$169,000.00
Bond of L. F. Ettlinger, secured by mortgage at 4%	50,000.00
Bond of J. L. Dodge, Jr., secured by mortgage at 4½%	30,000.00
Bond of I. M. Grenell, secured by mortgage at 5%	17,000.00
Bond of J. F. & C. H. Simpson, secured by mortgage at 5%,	50,000.00
Bond of Louis C. Mertz, secured by mortgage at 5%	14,500.00
Bond of Patrick Gallagher, secured by mortgage at 5%	55,000.00
Bond of F. S. Stryker, secured by mortgage at 5%	45,000.00
Bond of H. F. Morewood, secured by mortgage at 5%	20,000.00
Bond of Joseph Jordan, secured by mortgage at 5%	6,000.00
Bond of A. S. Williams, secured by mortgage at 5%	3,000.00
Bond of C. B. McCarthy, secured by mortgage at 5%	3,000.00
Bond of M. A. Dewey, secured by mortgage at 5%	20,000.00
Bond of F. Wiemann, secured by mortgage at 5%	47,500.00
Bond of Laura E. Jones, secured by mortgage at 5%	19,000.00
Bond of L. Immen, secured by mortgage at 5%	30,000.00

Mortgages on Wharf Block of Seminary property at 5%	\$63,078.78
Bond of P. L. Loss, secured by mortgage at 5%	7,000.00
Bond of A. Weinstein, secured by mortgage at 5%	20,000.00
Bond of H. Lesinsky, secured by mortgage at 4%	30,000.00
Bond of W. Graydon, secured by mortgage at 5%	30,000.00
Bond of J. W. Smith, secured by mortgage at 5%	50,000.00
Michigan Central Railroad Registered 5% Bonds, due 1931	20,000.00
Syracuse, Binghamton, and New York Railroad Consoli- dated First Mortgage 7% Bonds, due 1906	5,000.00
Atchison, Colorado, and Pacific Railroad First Mortgage 6% Bonds, due 1905	5,000.00
Central Railroad of New Jersey Consolidated Registered 7% Bonds, due 1899	5,000.00
Jersey City, N. J., 7% Water Bond, due 1904	1,000.00
Bonds of Consolidated Gas Company of Baltimore, at 6%, due 1910	2,500.00
Income of Samuel Verplanck Hoffman Foundation	3,010.70
Loan to Building Fund from General Endowment Fund, by direction of the donors	7,500.00
On deposit in Union Trust Company, at 2%	26,177.37
Total Trust Fund	\$854,266.85

Library, (25,900 volumes), and furniture, not valued.

TRUST FUNDS

Represented by Personal Property.

Samuel Verplanck Hoffman Foundation	\$150,000.00
Income, " " " "	3,010.70
"St. Mark's Church in the Bowerie" Professorship	25,000.00
Alumni Professorship	32,355.88
Charles and Elizabeth Ludlow Professorship	27,772.42
Eugene A. Hoffinan Professorship	80,000.00
Glorvina Rossell Hoffinan Professorship	80,000.00
Mary Crooke Hoffman Professorship	75,000.00
Library Endowment Fund	6,000.00
Bishop Paddock Lectureship Fund	10,911.56
John H. Talman Fellowship	11,600.00
Emma Carrington Mayo Fellowships	26,077.24
McVickar Prize Fund	1,000.00
Seymour Prize Fund	1,000.00
Charles and Elizabeth Ludlow Fund	8,000.00
General Endowment Fund	42,090.00
William H. Vanderbilt Fund	50,000.00
George A. Jarvis Fund	43,492.73
Tracy R. Edson Fund	15,000.00
Susan M. Edson Fund	5,000.00
Retiring Fund	53,362.00
Bell Endowment Fund	2,725.00
Scholarship Endowments	104,869.32
Total	\$854,266.85

CONTRIBUTIONS.

The amount of contributions from the several Dioceses to May 1, 1896,
is as follows :

DIOCESES.	Reported in 1889.	Added since.	Total to May, 1895.
Alaska	—	\$10.00	\$10.00
Albany	\$12,542.50	109.22	12,651.72
California	125.92	22.00	147.92
Central New York	9,984.00	85.00	10,069.00
Central Pennsylvania	154.76	8.49	163.25
Connecticut	1,124.68	9.53	1,134.21
Delaware	320.10	35.15	355.25
Easton	7.73	—	7.73
Fond du Lac	—	6.80	6.80
Georgia	180.47	2.00	182.47
Illinois	59.50	—	59.50
Indiana	8.23	—	8.23
Iowa	5.00	—	5.00
Long Island,	90,860.10	46,373.60	137,233.70
Maine	113.40	13.91	127.31
Maryland	8,534.12	5,565.00	14,099.12
Massachusetts	7,519.55	20.00	7,539.55
Michigan	676.57	110.00	786.57
Minnesota	1.00	—	1.00
Mississippi	500.00	—	500.00
Missouri	37.00	—	37.00
Montana	6.75	5.55	12.30
Newark	430.04	197.45	627.49
New Hampshire	443.89	135.00	578.89
New Jersey	11,741.79	24,000.00	35,741.79
New York	881,698.76	381,883.33	1,263,582.09
North Carolina	4,276.00	—	4,276.00
Northern Texas	1.00	—	1.00
Ohio	1,021.27	2.00	1,023.27
Pennsylvania	67,453.91	791.48	68,245.39
Pittsburgh	141.00	—	141.00
Rhode Island	264.00	—	264.00
South Carolina	54,074.65	27.52	54,102.17
Southern Ohio	10.00	—	10.00
Springfield	415.10	—	415.10
Utah	5.00	—	5.00
Vermont	114.15	7.85	122.00
Virginia	632.00	—	632.00
Western Michigan	—	4.05	4.05
West Missouri	—	3.70	3.70
Western New York	9,731.86	—	9,731.86
Wisconsin	75.00	—	75.00
France	—	35.00	35.00
Total	\$1,165,290.80	\$459,463.63	\$1,624,754.43

II. AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

In view of the indefiniteness of Article V. [of the present Constitution of the Seminary] in reference to the time which shall elapse between the nomination and election of a Dean or Professor, and also the inconvenient delay which may be occasioned by the difficulty of securing a special meeting of the Board of Trustees merely to receive nominations, the Board has adopted two amendments to Article V. of the Constitution, and requests a concurrence of the General Convention to the same.

The article, as amended by the addition of the words in italics, will then read as follows:

"V. The Board of Trustees shall have power to remove the Dean, the Professors, and other officers; but no such incumbent shall be removed from office except at a special meeting called to consider the same; nor unless notice of an intended motion for such removal, and the grounds thereof, shall have been given at a previous meeting of the Board. The nomination of the Dean and Professors shall be made at one meeting of the Board of Trustees, and acted upon at a subsequent meeting, *to be held not less than two months after the meeting at which the nomination is made*; due notice being given of the object of said meeting to every member of the Board. *Provided, however, that, when directed by the Standing Committee, of which due notice shall be given to every member of the Board, nominations of Professors may be received by the Secretary of the Board at any time not less than three months before the meeting at which they are to be acted upon, and such nominations, with the names of those who make them, shall be sent by the Secretary, not less than two months before the meeting of the Board, to every one of its members.*"

The Board of Trustees has also adopted the following amendments to the Second and Fifth Articles of the Constitution, the amendment to Article II. being almost identical in terms with Section IV. of the Act of March 20, 1868, amending the Charter of the Seminary.

In Article II. insert after the words "House of Bishops" the following words: "The Board shall from time to time appoint a Standing Committee from its own number to superintend and manage all the business and concerns of the Seminary during the recess of the Board, with all powers of the Board, subject to such limitations as may by statute or otherwise be lawfully and rightfully imposed."

Amend Article V. by striking out the following words: "Except at a special meeting called to consider the same; nor," and the words, "at a previous meeting of the Board," and inserting in lieu of the latter the words "to him," so that the first sentence of the Article will read:

"V. The Board of Trustees shall have power to remove the Dean, the Professors, and other officers; but no such incumbent shall be removed from office unless notice of an intended motion for such removal, and the grounds thereof, shall have been given to him."

III. INSTRUCTION.

Important changes have been made since the last General Convention in the Statutes defining the course of study, with a view to the enlargement of its scope and increase of its usefulness. The various departments have been arranged as follows:

1. *The Hebrew and Greek Languages.*

- (a) The knowledge necessary to the intelligent study of the Holy Scriptures in the original tongue.
- (b) Readings in the Septuagint Version.
- (c) Readings in Patristic Greek.

2. *Biblical Learning.*

- (a) An Historical Account of the different Books of Holy Scripture, and of their admission into the Sacred Canon.
- (b) The Principles of Scriptural Interpretation.
- (c) The Critical Examination and Exegetical Study of the Sacred Writings in their original texts.

3. *Dogmatic Theology.*

- (a) A Systematic Exposition of the Catholic Faith, as witnessed to by the Holy Scriptures and received by the Church.

- (b) A Particular View of the Teaching of the Anglican and American Churches, as distinguished from that of the Church of Rome and the various Protestant Communion.

4. *Ecclesiastical History.*

- (a) The Church down to the Age of Charlemagne.
- (b) The Middle Ages.
- (c) The Reformation, with special reference to the position of the Anglican Church.
- (d) The Church in the United States of America.

5. *Ecclesiastical Polity and Law.*

- (a) The Divine Constitution of the Church.
- (b) The Principles of Ecclesiastical Polity.
- (c) General Canon Law.
- (d) Constitution and Canons of the Church in the United States.

6. *Evidences of Revealed Religion.*

- (a) The Need, Nature, and Scope of Revelation.
- (b) The Authenticity, Genuineness, and Authority of the Books of the Old and New Testaments.
- (c) The Inspiration of the Holy Scriptures.
- (d) The External and Internal Evidences of Christianity.

7. *Pastoral Theology.*

- (a) Homiletics, including the Composition and Delivery of Sermons, with the proper rendering of the Church Services.
- (b) Duties of the Pastoral Office, with Parochial Organization and Administration.
- (c) Liturgics, with a History and Explanation of the Prayer Book of the Church in the United States.

8. *Moral Theology and Christian Philosophy.*

- (a) The Distinctive Principles of Moral Theology.
- (b) Moral Theology in its application to
 - (1) The Regulation of the Individual Man's Life and Conduct.
 - (2) The Solution of Contemporaneous Social, Economical, and Political Questions.
 - (3) The decision of Cases of Conscience.
- (c) The Philosophical Basis of Theism and Ethics.
- (d) Special Studies in the History of Philosophy:
 - (1) The Early Contact of Christianity with Greek Thought.
 - (2) The Philosophy of the Schoolmen.
 - (3) The Relation of Empirical Philosophy towards the Catholic Faith in England, since the time of John Locke.

9. *Oriental Languages.*

- (a) Indo-Iranian.
 - (1) Sanskrit.
 - (2) Avestan.
- (b) Semitic.
 - (1) Assyrian.
 - (2) Arabic.
 - (3) Syriac.
 - (4) Chaldean.
 - (5) Ethiopian.
 - (6) Samaritan.
- (c) Coptic.

10. *Ecclesiastical Music.*

- (a) The Cultivation and Development of the Voice.
- (b) The Theory and Practice of Singing at Sight.
- (c) The History of Music, with the Characteristics of Modern Ecclesiastical Music.
- (d) (1) The Aim and Right Use of Music in the Church's Worship.
- (2) The Conduct and Administration of Choirs.

The Chair of Moral Theology and Christian Philosophy, strange to say, is believed to be the first that has been established in any of our Divinity Schools. It was constituted at the unanimous request of the Faculty, and will prove a very valuable addition to the instruction given in the Seminary. The Chair has been filled at a meeting of the Trustees, held September 24, 1895, by the election of the Rev. Dr. Charles Theodore Seibt, late Professor of Moral Theology and Christian Evidences, Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio.

The Department of Biblical Learning has been divided by assigning the Literature and Interpretation of the New Testament to the Professor of Biblical Learning, and changing the title of the Chair, and establishing a new professorship, entitled "The Professorship of the Literature and Interpretation of the Old Testament." The course of instruction in these departments to be:

Department of the Literature and Interpretation of the Old Testament.

- (a) An Historical Account of the Books of the Old Testament, and of their admission into the Sacred Canon.
- (b) The Principles of the Interpretation of the Old Testament.
- (c) The Critical and Exegetical Study of the Old Testament Scriptures in the original text, and the Integrity, Authenticity, Style, and Credibility of the same.

Department of the Literature and Interpretation of the New Testament.

- (a) An Historical Account of the Books of the New Testament, and of their admission into the Sacred Canon.
- (b) The Principles of the Interpretation of the New Testament.
- (c) The Critical and Exegetical Study of the New Testament Scriptures in the original text.

The Chair of the Literature and Interpretation of the Old Testament was filled May 15, 1894, by the election of the Rev. Charles William Edward Body, D.D., D.C.L., late Provost of Trinity University, Toronto, Canada, who entered upon its duties in the following September.

At the same meeting of the Board the Rev. Theodore Myers Riley, D.D., late Professor of Ecclesiastical History in Nashotah Divinity School, was elected Adjunct Professor of Pastoral Theology. This was rendered necessary in consequence of the additional work laid on a department already overburdened by the largely increased number of students.

The Alumni Professorship of the Evidences of Revealed Religion is vacant in consequence of the refusal of the Associate Alumni to nominate under the new statute which requires it to be a permanent professorship. The Board of Trustees, in the hope that an agreement satisfactory to both parties might be reached, referred the matter to its Standing Committee, with full power to arrange the matter with the Alumni Association, but the Association preferred to appeal to the Civil Courts, where the question is still under consideration. In the meantime the Trustees, in order

that the students might not be deprived of instruction in this important department, elected the Rev. Philander Kinney Cady, D.D., Professor of the Evidences of Revealed Religion, to continue as such during the pleasure of the Board.

By appointment, the Rev. Jocelyn Johnstone, M. A., acted as Tutor in Greek and Hebrew during the Academical year 1892-3, and was succeeded by the Rev. Hugh Latimer Burleson, M. A., B. D., during 1893-4. Since Mr. Burleson's resignation the duties have been performed by the Rev. Charles Norman Shepard, M. A., who holds the John H. Talman Fellowship.

During the last three years two of the Professors have departed this life—the Rev. Samuel Buel, D.D., on the 31st of December, 1892, in the seventy-eighth year of his age; and the Rev. William Ernest Eigenbrodt, D.D., on the 4th of November, 1894, at the advanced age of eighty-one years.

Dr. Buel occupied the Chair of Systematic Divinity and Dogmatic Theology with exemplary learning and fidelity for seventeen years; and Dr. Eigenbrodt for twenty-seven years most faithfully discharged the duties of the Chair of Pastoral Theology. They were both retired in 1888 in consequence of the increasing infirmities of age, and each of them was made Professor Emeritus by the unanimous vote of the Board of Trustees. Their memory will always be cherished by the Seminary to whose reputation they contributed so largely, and by the Alumni whose character they did so much to mould. To Dr. Eigenbrodt the Seminary is also indebted for a most munificent legacy.

The Bishop Paddock Lectureship continues its valuable services to the students, and by the publication of the Lectures to the Church at large. The following lectures have been delivered during the past three years:

“The Repose of the Blessed Dead,” by the Rt. Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Western New York.

“The permanent Value of the Book of Genesis as an Integral Part of Divine Revelation,” by the Rev. C. W. E. Body, D.D., D.C.L., Provost of Trinity University, Toronto, Canada.

“The Influence of Philosophy and Logic on the Revealed Facts of Christian Redemption,” by the Rev. Robert B. Fairbairn, D.D., LL.D., Warden of St. Stephen's College, Annandale, N. Y.

The students have also been favoured with addresses from the following Bishops and Presbyters:

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| 30 Sept., 1892. | The Rt. Rev. E. T. Churton, D.D., Lord Bishop of Nassau. |
| 2 Nov., | “ The Rt. Rev. William F. Nichols, D.D., Bishop of California, on the Mission Field in his Diocese. |
| 6 Feb., 1893. | The Rt. Rev. B. Wistar Morris, D.D., Bishop of Oregon, on Mission Work in Oregon. |
| 1 March, | “ The Rt. Rev. W. A. Hare, D.D., Missionary Bishop of South Dakota, on his visits to China and Japan. |
| 18 April, | “ The Rt. Rev. L. H. Wells, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Spokane, on Work in Spokane. |
| 9 Nov., | “ The Rt. Rev. C. K. Nelson, D.D., Bishop of Georgia, on Work among the Negroes. |
| 1 March, 1894. | The Rt. Rev. C. C. Penick, D.D., on Work among the Coloured People of the South. |
| 2 “ | “ The Rt. Rev. H. M. Thompson, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of Mississippi, on Mission Work. |
| Oct., | “ The Rt. Rev. A. C. A. Hall, D.D., Bishop of Vermont. |

Nov.,	1894.	The Rt. Rev. Thos. F. Gailor, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Tennessee.
"	"	The Rt. Rev. Abiel Leonard, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Nevada and Utah.
"	"	The Rt. Rev. Francis K. Brooke, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Oklahoma.
14 Jan.,	1895.	The Rt. Rev. Isaac L. Nicholson, D.D., Bishop of Milwaukee.
24 "	"	The Rt. Rev. Frederick Courtney, D.D., Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia.
18 Feb.,	"	The Rt. Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Western New York.
28 "	"	The Rt. Rev. W. M. Barker, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Western Colorado.
3 Oct.,	1892.	The Rev. J. O. S. Huntington, on "The Ministry; a plea for a broader field of Mission Priests."
30 Nov.,	"	The Rev. F. L. H. Pott, on "The China Mission."
6 Dec.,	"	The Rev. W. C. Winslow, D.D., etc., on "Recent Discoveries in Egypt, and their bearing on Old Testament History."
24 Jan.,	1893.	The Rev. W. W. Moir, on Mission Work in Colorado.
24 "	"	The Rev. W. W. Love, on Mission Work in Wyoming and Idaho.
11 April,	"	The Rev. R. E. Dennison, on "Working Men's Clubs."
24 Oct.,	"	The Rev. Hugh L. Burleson, on the Oneida Indians.
16 Nov.,	"	The Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, on City Mission Work.
15 Jan.,	1894.	The Rev. Irving Johnson, on the Associate Mission at Omaha.
19 "	"	The Rev. John W. Chapman, on Alaska.
18 Feb.,	"	The Rev. J. Nevett Steele, Mus. Doc., on Church Music.
6 March,	"	The Rev. Herbert Sowerby, on China.
19 "	"	The Rev. August Ulmann, on the Ober Ammergau Passion Play, illustrated by stereopticon views.
27 April,	"	The Rev. George R. Van De Water, D.D.
5 Dec.,	"	The Rev. C. N. Field, S.S.J.E., Boston, Mass.
11 "	"	The Rev. W. Wilkinson, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Minneapolis, Minn.
4 March,	1895.	The Rev. Yung Kiung Yen, Missionary at Shanghai, China.
20 "	"	The Rev. David Griffin Gunn, Missionary at Oklahoma City.
4 April,	"	The Rev. L. B. Ridgeley, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Salt Lake City, Utah.
23 "	"	The Rev. Wm. Chauncey Langdon, D.D., Providence, R. I.
14 Nov.,	1892.	Mr. Charles D. Kellogg, on "Organized Charity."
20 Dec.,	"	Prince Momalo Massaqui, King of Sabrato, on his native country.

In addition to these addresses, the students have each year enjoyed the privilege of two Quiet Days, conducted by the Bishops of New York and Montana, and the Very Rev. Wilford L. Robbins, D.D., Dean of Albany.

IV. STUDENTS.¹

The number of students in attendance during the last three years has been as follows: 1892-93, 131; 1893-94, 145; 1894-95, 138.

This is a much larger number than has ever been enrolled at any one period. And yet, large as the number is, it might have been larger if we had been able to accommodate more students with rooms. This fact is gratifying as evidence of the growing confidence of the Church in the work of its General Seminary. But when an increase of the Ministry is so urgently needed, it will not be creditable to the liberality of members of the Church if they do not provide the additional buildings required to enable its chief School of the Prophets to receive all who apply for admission.

V. LIBRARY.

The number of books added to the Library since the last report is 4,157, making the total number of volumes now on the shelves 25,900.

It has been greatly enriched by the purchase and presentation by the

¹ The following Bishops graduated from the General Theological Seminary:

The Rt. Rev.	Wm. E. Armitage, D.D.,	Bishop of Wisconsin.
"	Edward R. Atwill, D.D.,	Bishop of West Missouri.
"	Leigh R. Brewer, D.D.,	Miss. Bishop of Montana.
"	J. H. Hobart Brown, D.D.,	Bishop of Fond du Lac.
"	Alexander Burgess, D.D., LL.D.,	Bishop of Quincy.
"	Leighton Coleman, D.D., LL.D.,	Bishop of Delaware.
"	A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D., LL.D.,	Bishop of Western New York.
"	Thos. F. Gallor, D.D.,	Asst. Bishop of Tennessee.
"	George de N. Gillespie, D.D.,	Bishop of Western Michigan.
"	Anson R. Graves, D.D.,	Bishop of The Platte.
"	Fredk. R. Graves, D.D.,	Miss. Bishop of Shanghai.
"	Wm. Ingraham Kip, D.D., LL.D.,	Bishop of California.
"	David B. Knickerbacker, D.D.,	Bishop of Indiana.
"	Cyrus F. Knight, D.D.,	Bishop of Milwaukee.
"	Alfred Lee, D.D.,	Bishop of Delaware.
"	Abiel Leonard, D.D.,	Miss. Bishop of Nevada and Utah.
"	Theodore B. Lyman, D.D.,	Bishop of North Carolina.
"	Benjamin W. Morris, D.D.,	Bishop of Oregon.
"	W. H. Odenheimer, D.D.,	Bishop of New Jersey.
"	Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.,	Bishop of Massachusetts.
"	John Adams Paddock, D.D.,	Miss. Bishop of Washington.
"	George M. Randall, D.D.,	Miss. Bishop of Colorado.
"	Charles F. Robertson, D.D.,	Bishop of Missouri.
"	Nelson S. Rulison, D.D.,	Asst. Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.
"	John Scarborough, D.D.,	Bishop of New Jersey.
"	George F. Seymour, D.D., LL.D.,	Bishop of Springfield.
"	John F. Spalding, D.D.,	Bishop of Colorado.
"	Ethelbert Talbot, D.D., LL.D.,	Miss. Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho.
"	Daniel S. Tuttle, D.D.,	Bishop of Missouri.
"	Thomas H. Vail, D.D.,	Bishop of Kansas.
"	William D. Walker, D.D.,	Miss. Bishop of North Dakota.
"	Edwin G. Weed, D.D.,	Bishop of Florida.
"	Ozi W. Whitaker, D.D.,	Bishop of Pennsylvania.
"	Henry J. Whitehouse, D.D., LL.D.,	Bishop of Illinois.
"	Wm. R. Whittingham, D.D., LL.D.,	Bishop of Maryland.
"	George Worthington, D.D., LL.D.,	Bishop of Nebraska.

The following Bishops were students of the General Theological Seminary, but did not graduate:

The Rt. Rev.	Thos. Fred'k Davis, D.D.,	Bishop of South Carolina.
"	George Washington Doane, D.D.,	Bishop of New Jersey.
"	Manton Eastburn, D.D.,	Bishop of Massachusetts.
"	Robt. W. B. Elliott, D.D.,	Miss. Bishop of Western Texas.
"	John N. Galleher, D.D.,	Bishop of Louisiana.
"	Levi S. Ives, D.D.,	Bishop of North Carolina.
"	Thomas A. Jaggard, D.D.,	Bishop of Southern Ohio.
"	Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.,	Bishop of New York.
"	Francis H. Rutledge, D.D.,	Bishop of Florida.
"	S. I. J. Schereschewsky, D.D.,	Miss. Bishop of Shanghai.
"	Alfred A. Watson, D.D.,	Bishop of East Carolina.
"	John Williams, D.D., LL.D.,	Bishop of Connecticut.

Dean and Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt of the unique and valuable Copinger Collection of Latin Bibles. This collection, with the additions which have been made to it, numbers about two thousand volumes. It is the largest, if not the most valuable, collection of Latin Bibles to be found in any one library in the world. It exceeds the number of editions in the British Museum by nearly one hundred, and contains several hundred more than are to be found in the Bodleian Library in Oxford, or the University Library in Cambridge. But the value of the collection does not consist alone in the number of the editions, but in the fact that many of them are extremely rare, and some of them absolutely unique, no other copy being known to exist. In nearly every instance the books are in excellent preservation. Many of them are in the curious original bindings, with metal bosses and silver clasps; sometimes with leather tags to facilitate turning over the pages and protect the edges of the leaves; some have been rebound, and a few are in cardboard backs. The older editions show the development and growth of the art of printing, whilst the sixteenth century editions demonstrate the learning, piety, patience, and care which have been brought to bear on the Word of God, display the basis on which rest many of the various sects of Christendom, and throw light on every phase of theological life.

This collection, which has been described as "the most valuable literary treasure that this country has ever received," and in reference to which the London "Church Times" says, "The American Church may well be congratulated on the acquisition of a collection whose simple possession is an honour, and in certain directions even a valuable incentive to the study of the modern history of the Bible," has been placed in the room in Hobart Hall formerly occupied by the archives of the General Convention, where it will be carefully preserved, and access permitted to it, under proper restrictions, to all who wish to consult it. It is hoped that in this way this inestimable bibliographical treasure will prove of the greatest value, not only to the General Theological Seminary, but to all biblical scholars in this country.

There has also been added to the Latin Bibles several hundred editions of the Greek Testament.

VI. BUILDINGS.

The old East Building, erected in 1826, which was rapidly falling into decay, part of it having become actually unsafe, has been torn down, and its site occupied by three well-arranged houses for Professors. Two other houses for Professors are now in process of erection, the cost of one of them having been paid by the Corporation of Trinity Church, New York. The cost of the other house, like that of all the new buildings, is met by funds specially provided for the purpose by friends of the Seminary. The Seminary buildings, which now form a most imposing pile, surrounding one half of Chelsea Square, though admirably adapted to their purpose, are not sufficient for the accommodation of the increasing number of students. We need at once additional dormitories, while the portion of the old West Building used for the Refectory is utterly inadequate for the purpose. The effort of the Alumni to erect a special building for the Refectory, with a Gymnasium, should be assisted and carried through as early as possible.

VII. GIFTS AND LEGACIES.

The Trustees are again able to report a number of valuable gifts and legacies, which have materially aided the Seminary and enabled it to extend its work and usefulness.

Professorship of Dogmatic Theology has been endowed by a gift from Mrs. E. A. Hoffman.

Scholarships have been endowed by a legacy of \$23,943.49 from Harrington Mayo, of Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Executors of the late George A. Jarvis of Brooklyn have paid account of the legacy from the residuary portion of his

ten thousand dollars have been added to the Samuel Verplanck Foundation, increasing the fund for the support of future Deans

and dollars have been given to complete the professors' site of the old East Building.

Scholarships have been founded and endowed, viz., by D. Smith, \$5,000; Miss Amelia R. Norris, \$2,500.

As provided for the further continuance of the Pierre Jay best essay on "The Motives for Foreign Missions" by a

great benefactor, the Society for Promoting Religion and the State of New York, has given \$3,000 for the purchase of

Library, and has provided each year \$3,500 towards the salaries of the professors.

In addition to this, there should be noted the very valuable collections of Latin and Greek Testaments presented to the Library, already mentioned in this report.

These gifts are, it must not be taken for granted that they are sufficient to meet the needs of the Seminary. The increasing number of students adds to the annual expenses, as the tuition is free and the Seminary does not cover the cost of their board. Three professorships of endowment, and three others are only partially endowed.

Provision made for the current expenses or for the increase of the same.

More scholarships to aid indigent students are urgently needed. As has already been stated, the Refectory and additional dormitory must be built unless we are content to refuse many students admission. This year we have applications from sixteen students for whom we had no rooms.

VIII. SEMINARY CONFERENCES.

In signs of encouragement should be noted the annual Conferences of representatives of the Theological Seminaries of our Church which have been held in Easter week the last three years.

The first place in New York; the second in Philadelphia; the third in New York.

They were all largely attended, and were very helpful in the responsible work of Theological Education. The Synod has suggested a modification in the subjects specified in the Canons for the examination of candidates applying for

IX. CONCLUSION.

We cannot close this report without congratulating the Seminary on the prosperous condition and promising future of the General Seminary under its care. Never before in its history has its work been more substantial, never before has the Seminary been a more potent influence in its administration. The present Dean assumed the executive office the improvement continuous. Through his judicious management, his personal efforts, and, not the least, his own generous sacrifices, the Seminary has been redeemed, the finances strengthened, the

endowment increased, and the working equipment perfected; the department of instruction has been re-ordered, its offices increased, and its forces organized; the work of the students has improved, and the standard of education been raised. The Institution; as it is to-day, is one in which American Churchmen may justly feel pride. The General Seminary of the Church ought to be an object of special interest to every member of that body, and we do not doubt that a knowledge of its present progress would call forth unhesitating approval from every side; nor that the Church, if it is but informed of all that has been done, and of the growing demands upon its General Theological Seminary, will make it its loving care, and that those who have it in their power to forward the work by contributions of money will esteem it a privilege to do what they can to secure its greater success and prosperity.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

T. STAFFORD DROWNE, *Secretary*.

NEW YORK, October 2, 1895.

APPENDIX IV.—2.

LIST OF TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, ELECTED BY THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES, OCTOBER, 1892, TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

The Rev. HEMAN DYER, D.D.
The Rev. MORGAN DIX, D.D.
The Rev. G. WILLIAMSON SMITH, D.D.
The Rev. WILLIAM S. LANGFORD, D.D.
The Rev. J. S. B. HODGES, D.D.
The Rev. ROBERT N. MERRITT, D.D.
The Rev. ELIPHALET N. POTTER, D.D.
The Rev. JOHN W. BROWN, D.D.
The Rev. T. GARDINER LITTELL, D.D.
The Rev. EDMUND D. COOPER, D.D.
The Rev. WILLIAM M. GEER.
The Rev. A. ST. JOHN CHAMBRE, D.D.
Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry.
Mr. John A. King.
Mr. George C. McWhorter.
Mr. Elihu Chauncey.
Mr. Henry Hayes.
Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont.
Mr. Walter H. Lewis.
Mr. Frederic W. Rhinelanders.
Mr. George Zabriskie.
Mr. George J. Gardner.
Mr. J. Van Vechten Olcott.
Mr. Thomas Egleston.
Mr. Henry Budd.

Attest :

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,
Secretary of the House of Deputies.

APPENDIX V.

EIGHTH TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE FUND FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN, AND OF AGED, INFIRM, AND DISABLED CLERGYMEN.

THE Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, herewith submit to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, their eighth triennial report to September 15, 1895.

They respectfully ask the attention of the Convention to the following facts. Compared with previous reports these facts are encouraging. Compared with what is needed to meet just demands on the Church, and surely this must be the measure of the Church's responsibility, they are the reverse. We cannot regard this sacred trust as an ordinary charity. It is assuredly something more. Is it not a simple duty to see that the suffering which must come to many of those who have given their lives and labours to the service of the Church and the Master are lightened and lifted so far as they can be?

The whole amount of receipts for the past three years has been \$81,494.31. In this are included, balance from previous account, contributions from parishes and individuals, royalty on the Hymnal, and legacies.

Of this sum there has been paid to 59 clergymen, 166 widows of clergymen, and 24 orphans, in 55 Dioceses and Missionary Districts, \$48,295.

Besides these appropriations the Trustees have invested in the three years \$27,673.54; they have paid for copyrights and legal services \$283.83: and have on deposit and on hand \$5,241.94.

It gives us pleasure to be able to report that the appropriations of the last three years exceed, by more than \$10,000, those of the three years previous; but we are compelled to add the drawback that since 1886 the contributions from churches and individuals have steadily diminished. From 1883 to 1886 they amounted to \$23,680.31; for the next three years, to \$18,475.70; for the three years following, to \$17,870.25; and for the last three years, to \$17,062.45. The large amount received for royalty on the Hymnal has enabled us to make the increased appropriations. We beg to call special attention to these facts that are the reverse of creditable, in the hope that they may awaken a greater interest in and a greater attention to the importance of the work which the General Convention has called us to administer.

We venture to repeat what was said in our report of three years ago:

"The Trustees further would inquire whether it be not possible and desirable to establish a correspondence between this General Fund and all kindred funds and societies in the Church, to the end that there may be an understanding, and, so far as practicable, co-operation between all the agencies; that there may be a general bureau to at least record all that is done by the Church in this matter of clergy relief, that it may be done with intelligence and in the best and most efficient way."

The result of inquiries has not, as yet, indicated any likelihood of "co-operation between all the agencies" above alluded to. But it certainly must not be difficult, and it is most desirable to secure an accurate record of all that is accomplished by all agencies in the way of clergy relief. It ought not to be supposed that the general trust which we are charged to administer, is all that is done by the Church for her disabled clergymen and for widows and orphans.

We refer, again, to the noteworthy fact that no expense beyond that for copyrights and legal services, has ever been incurred in the administration of the Fund.

The generosity of our Secretary and Treasurer has, as in time past, so in the present, relieved the Fund from all such charges. We cannot be mistaken in believing that these officers will receive the hearty and grateful thanks of all the members of our Communion.

It is not in the power of man to estimate the relief and comfort that this Fund has given to those whose lots in life are shadowed by many trials; the relief and comfort are not indeed all that they might and should be; but the grateful words that from time to time come back to the trustees are such that, could they properly or possibly be presented to the Church, they would arouse to exertion our interest that is in too many cases dormant. We are grateful for the sympathy and approval of the General Convention, on which indeed we confidently rely. But mere resolutions of sympathy and approval are of little real worth unless they are accompanied and followed by corresponding action. It is much to be desired that the General Convention would designate a Sunday in each year as Clergy Relief Sunday, and recommend that in all congregations offerings be made for this Fund upon that day. May it please the great Master of the vineyard to stir up the hearts of His faithful people to make generous provision for those who have fainted and failed under the heat and burden of the day of service, and for those whose earthly well-being is dependent on them!

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN WILLIAMS, *President.*

HENRY C. POTTER, *Vice-President.*

MORGAN DIX.

WM. S. LANGFORD.

STEPHEN P. NASH.

WM. ALEXANDER SMITH, *Treasurer.*

ELIHU CHAUNCEY, *Secretary.*

The Trustees, by way of supplement to their general report, feel it their duty to call attention to some embarrassments caused by the action of the General Convention under Canon 8 of Title III. This new Canon passed in the latter days of the Convention did not, under the provisions of Canon 4 of Title IV., go into effect until January, 1893, yet the Convention proceeded at once to nominate fifteen Trustees in anticipation of the amendment of the charter suggested by Section 2, by which its number of trustees should be enlarged from its existing number of seven to fifteen, the first seven in the list to be the trustees until such amendment should be made. These first seven were the Bishops of Connecticut, Montana, and New York, the Assistant Bishops of California and Alabama, the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., and the Rev. W. S. Langford, D.D. The difficulty of getting a meeting of these trustees, owing to their living, many of them at great distances from each other, and from any central point, led to the examination of the question which has been stated. If their election was irregular, it did not seem safe to proceed to a change of the charter upon their authority. The conclusion was reached, upon the advice of counsel, that the election of

the fifteen trustees by the General Convention was invalid, and that the safest course was for the existing trustees to hold over and exercise their functions until an opportunity was offered at the ensuing General Convention to correct the error. This has been done.

In this connection, the trustees respectfully submit that the enlargement of the Board, as provided for in the Canon, would not be without grave inconvenience. The very excellent reason for the change was probably the hope that a more general interest in the charity would be elicited; but it is not easy to secure a quorum of a large body of trustees whose residences are remote from each other, and when trustees cannot attend Board meetings, their interest naturally soon flags.

Attest :

ELIHU CHAUNCEY, *Secretary.*

TABLE OF COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS AS PER TRIENNIAL REPORTS.

RECEIPTS.	ROYALTY.	CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS.	LEGACIES.	INTEREST.	TOTAL.
1871—1874.....	\$12,291.18	\$534.00	.....	\$1,484.22	\$14,309.40
1874—1877.....	9,317.86	612.00	\$1,500.00	2,560.00	13,989.86
1877—1880.....	7,209.83	4,889.59	200.00	2,460.00	14,759.42
1880—1883.....	6,692.56	17,826.83	.....	2,370.00	26,889.39
1883—1886.....	9,068.87	23,680.31	.....	2,467.50	35,216.68
1886—1889.....	9,565.35	18,475.70	5,614.83	2,545.00	36,200.88
1889—1892.....	9,285.46	17,870.25	4,810.20	3,040.25	35,006.16
1892—1895.....	37,007.95	17,062.45	18,950.40	3,706.76	76,727.56
					<u>\$253,099.35</u>

APPENDIX V.

RELIEF EXTENDED.

	TO DISABLED CLERGYMEN.	WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.	TOTAL.	DIOCESES.
1874—1877	21	59	80	31
1877—1880	32	71	103	37
1880—1883	35	104	139	38
1883—1886	36	119	163	41
1886—1889	43	135	178	45
1889—1892	52	142	194	48
1892—1895	59	190	249	55

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Deaths since 1892 { Clergymen

Widows.....

Total.....

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THE TRUSTEES OF THE FUND FOR THE RELIEF OF THE WIDOWS AND
DISABLED CLERGYMEN OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCO-
Dr. IN ACCOUNT WITH WILLIAM

1892.		
Sept. 14.	— To cash paid E. Chauncey, Financial Secretary, from Sept. 14, 1892, to Sept. 6, 1895, inclusive amount of appropriation	\$48,295.00
1894.		
Feb. 28.	— Cash paid James Pott & Co. for Copyright and legal services	233.33
1895.		
Feb. 27.	— Cash paid S. P. & J. McL. Nash for professional services	50.50

1894.	INVESTMENT.		
March 5.	— \$5,000 Virginia $\frac{3}{4}$ of 1891 @ 59 $\frac{1}{2}$ and com.	\$2,962.50	
July 25.	— 5,000 " " 58 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "	2,931.25	
Oct. 1.	— 7,000 " " 58 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "	4,130.00	
" 26.	— 3,000 " " 58 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "	1,751.25	
1895.			
March 12.	— \$7,000 U. S. Reg'd 4%, 1907 @ 110 $\frac{1}{2}$ and com.	7,770.00	
1894.			
Nov. 3.	— \$3,000 N. Y. City School House 3%, 1908 @ 99 $\frac{1}{2}$ and int. and com.	2,989.00	
1895.			
Jan. 21.	— \$5,000 N. Y. City School Exempt 3% 1911 @ 102 and int. and com.	5,139.54	27,673.54
1895.			\$76,252.37
Sept. 6.	— To balance carried down		5,241.94

ON HAND.

	\$2,000 U. S. Currency 6% of 1896.	
	\$7,000 U. S. Reg'd 4% of 1907.	
	\$3,000 N. Y. City School House 3% of 1908.	
	\$5,000 N. Y. City School House Exempt 3% of 1911.	
	\$6,000 Jersey City Water 7% of 1902.	
	\$3,000 Chic., St. Louis & Pitts. 1st 5% of 1932.	
	\$2,000 St. Louis, Vand., T. H. 1st 7% of 1897.	
	\$20,000 Virginia 2-3% of 1991.	
	Certificate of Deposit Cont. Trust Co. \$5,000.	
1895.		\$81,494.31
Sept. 6.	— To cash deposited in Cont. Trust Co. .	5,000.00
	Balance carried down	241.94
		\$85,241.94

Account and securities examined and found correct, Sept. 23, 1895.
ELIHU CHAUNCEY, *Auditing Committee.*

ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN AND OF AGED AND INFIRM AND
ALL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
ALEXANDER SMITH, *Treasurer.* **Cr.**

1892.	
Sept. 14. — By balance account rendered . . .	\$1,776.75
Cash received from sundry sources, Sept. 14, 1892, to Sept. 6, 1895:	
Contributions	17,062.45

INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS.

On \$3,000 Chic., St. L. & Pitts. Cons. 5%, Oct., 1892, to April, 1895 . . .	\$450.00	
On \$3,000 N. Y. City Cons. 7%, Nov., 1892, to Nov., 1894	525.00	
On \$2,000 U. S. Currency 6%, Jan., 1893, to July, 1895	360.00	
On \$2,000 St. L., Vand., T. H. 1st, 7%, Jan., 1893, to July, 1895	420.00	
On \$6,000 Jersey City 7%, March, 1893, to Sept., 1895	1,260.00	
On \$5,000 Virginia 2-3, July, 1894 . .	49.50	
On \$20,000 Virginia 2-3, Jan., 1895, July, 1895	397.43	
On \$3,000 N. Y. City 3%, May, 1895 .	45.00	
On \$5,000 " " " "	75.00	
On \$7,000 U. S. Reg'd 4%, July, 1895 .	70.00	
On Certificates of Deposit	54.83	
		3,706.76
Royalties, 1892-'93	\$3,287.07	
" 1893-'94	17,572.06	
" 1894-'95	16,148.82	
		37,007.95

1894. INVESTMENT.

Nov. 1. — \$3,000 N. Y. City 7%, redeemed . . .	\$100.00	3,000.00
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LEGACIES.

Mary W. Austin	\$1,000.00	
Rev. Pierre du G. Trapier	50.00	
Louisa A. Nichols	1,000.00	
Richard B. Chapman	1,000.00	
George A. Jarvis	5,000.00	
Mary A. Pierson	49.97	
James Simons	6,624.08	
Louisa Jones	537.50	
Mrs. Frances Lee Chamberlain . . .	1,000.00	
Marg. Johnson	2,673.10	
Sarah A. Seeley	15.75	
		18,950.40

\$81,494.31

1895.		
Sept. 6. — By Balance (in Trust Co.)	\$5,000.00	
Sept. 6. — Cash on hand	241.94	
		\$5,241.94

E. and O. E.
WM. ALEX. SMITH, *Treasurer.*
(For list of contributions see accompanying schedule.)

APPENDIX VI.

FIRST TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PRAYER BOOK DISTRIBUTION SOCIETY.

THE Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society herewith present to the General Convention their first triennial report. The report covers the period from the General Convention of 1892, when the revised Prayer Book was adopted and its use enjoined, to the 1st of September, 1895.

Title III., Canon 9, of the Canons defines the object of the Society, which is to promote the distribution of the Book of Common Prayer among the people throughout the United States of America.

The purpose of the Society is therefore neither to publish Prayer Books, nor, as its title might seem to imply, itself to distribute them, but to promote the distribution of the Prayer Book and to stimulate existing agencies, and to encourage the formation of other agencies in all parts of the Church for the work of bringing the Prayer Book to the knowledge of as many people as possible, and further to report the results at each General Convention.

Recognizing the precious heritage of liturgical treasure which the Church has received in the Prayer Book, and the obligation which it has thereby incurred to bring its teaching to the people of the United States for their edification in Christian truth, for their inspiration and guidance in the worship of Almighty God, as well as for the setting forth of the ancient and divine order of the Church in its Ministry and Sacraments, the Society would seek to impress upon the Dioceses and Jurisdictions the importance of engaging in the work of distributing the Prayer Book as the most simple and effective means of propagating the Gospel of Christ as this Church hath received the same, and of spreading among our people the knowledge of that Church.

It is a simple means, because it requires but little machinery, because it can be engaged in by all members of the Church, men and women, clergy and laity, young and old, and because it can be done at a trifling cost. It is effective, because when once the Prayer Book has been delivered it makes its own way; it is its own interpreter; it is always ready for duty; it never loses temper in argument; it harbours no prejudices; it knows no distinction of time or place or person, but stands ready every instant with its argument, its instruction, its comfort, and its appeal.

The Society has appealed to the Bishop of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction in the United States to bring before his Diocese or Jurisdiction the subject of Prayer Book Distribution, and it has reason to believe that many of the Bishops have responded to that appeal. It has made inquiry in every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction as to that work, and has endeavoured, so far as in its power has lain, to encourage and stimulate it.

More than forty Bishops report that no Prayer Book Societies exist in their respective Dioceses, but societies of greater or less strength, and under various forms, exist in the Dioceses of New York, Massachusetts,

Albany, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Pittsburgh, New Jersey, Central New York, Chicago, Milwaukee, South Dakota, Southern Virginia, and Kentucky.

It has not been possible to secure, for this first report, the exact statistics of Prayer Book Distribution, but the following is an approximate, and fairly correct, estimate:

Since the adoption of the Revised Prayer Book in 1892, one million one hundred thousand copies of that book have been published.

Grants were made as follows during the three years preceding September 1, 1895:

By the New York Bible and Prayer Book Society, 115,000 Prayer Books and 81,000 Hymnals.

By the Bishop White Prayer Book Society of Pennsylvania, 36,501 Prayer Books and 2,826 Hymnals.

By the Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, 15,148 Prayer Books and 3,893 Hymnals.

By the Chicago Prayer Book Society, 17,800 Prayer Books.

By the Margaret Coffin Prayer Book Society of Massachusetts, 9,961 Prayer Books and 6,787 Hymnals.

By the Pittsburgh Society, 1,392 Prayer Books and 182 Hymnals.

By the Samuel Smithson Fund of Connecticut, 2,800 Prayer Books, and by the Societies who have not reported their grants, probably thousands more have been distributed.

As examples of the value of Prayer Book Distribution, one or two instances might here be mentioned, which have come to the knowledge of the Trustees.

An eminent judge called upon the rector of a parish in Pennsylvania, much to that rector's surprise, who had known his visitor only as an honoured jurist, who had been identified with another Church. The judge came to express his desire to be confirmed, and when the clergyman asked him what had brought him to this mind, he said that it was solely from his study of a Prayer Book which had come into his possession.

A rector in the Diocese of Maine, who had been very active in distributing the Prayer Book among a widely-scattered population who could be reached by services only at long intervals, reports that he gave a copy of the Prayer Book to the captain of a sailing vessel before he started on an outward voyage, who, on his return, called and asked for another copy, remarking, "The fact is, that the men got hold of the copy that you gave me before, and it has passed from one to another, so that I have scarcely had a chance at it." There is a large sphere of usefulness for the Prayer Book among the various vessels which are plying on our lakes and rivers and sailing from our seaports. Libraries are provided for outgoing vessels by societies for seamen, and it would be a most wise and useful act if to all these libraries a copy of the Prayer Book could be furnished.

The Trustees have learned, from the American Prayer Book Fund, of an important work done by that Fund; viz., that of attempting, so far as the money placed at its disposal would admit, to supply all the rooms in some of the hotels with Prayer Books.

By a single, individual gift, it has been enabled to place five thousand copies of the Prayer Book in the hotels of the City of New York. This experiment, for such it was, has led to a number of inquiries and applications. Letters have been received from two of the smaller hotels in the same city saying that the proprietors had seen the Prayer Book in the other hotels and asking if they could not have a supply for their own, offering themselves to pay the cost.

The manager of a hotel in another city sent to ask whether the privilege was to be confined to New York, and from the proprietor of a hotel

in Washington came a letter saying that he would gladly place books in his own hotel.

Other persons have called or written to express their pleasure at finding the books in their hotel rooms, and in one instance a gentleman stated that he became so interested in the book — which was new to him — that he read it through, every word from cover to cover.

The Prayer Book Fund is so pleased with its experiment that it is earnestly hoped that in every city some large-hearted Churchman may be found ready and willing to supply its hotels with copies of the Prayer Book.

In what other way could so many intelligent people be brought into contact with that book?

A few years ago the accidental leaving of a Prayer Book in a hotel room was the means of building a church. The maid who found the book which had been left behind brought it to the proprietor, who handed it to his wife. She had in her childhood been familiar with the Prayer Book; the sight of it revived her memories and brought the tears to her eyes. She was led thereby to bring about the establishment of services, which, in their turn, led eventually to the building of a church.

Many other facts might be cited, but we hasten on to the statement of the important fact that the Society has been enabled to secure the reduction of the price of the cheap edition of the Prayer Book from twenty-five to fifteen cents a copy, — a reduction of forty per cent from the price at which booksellers attempted after the last General Convention to hold the cheap edition of the Revised Prayer Book — and it has thereby vastly increased the possibility of bringing the Prayer Book within the reach of the poor.

Attention is once more called to the fact that the Prayer Book Distribution Society has no funds of its own wherewith to print or to distribute the Prayer Book; its work is to stimulate the work of local societies, to endeavour to keep before the Church the importance of that work, and to bring under review the work of Prayer Book Distribution in its triennial report to the General Convention.

And with an earnest appeal to both clergy and laity that they will do what in their power lies to scatter broadcast the Church's Prayer Book, the Prayer Book Distribution Society respectfully submits its report.

In behalf of the Board of Trustees,

ARTHUR LAWRENCE, *Secretary.*

MINNEAPOLIS, October 4, 1895.

APPENDIX VII.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS OF DECEASED MEMBERS.

THE Rule of Order No. 16 directs the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members to give, in their report, simply the names of those who are commemorated, the Diocese to which they belonged, the date of birth and death, and the number of years of service in this House.

In view of this explicit direction, your Committee find themselves precluded from a lengthened notice of any one, however distinguished he may have been. Within the last three years the Church has lost some members whose place will not easily be filled. As we come to name after name in the list given below we would fain stop to speak of virtues and services which once enriched our Communion. Here are names which the world will not willingly let die; clergymen and laymen of whom we were justly proud; men whom we loved and revered; men whose presence and counsel were a benediction to this body. They have gone to their rest and reward, but they have left behind them memories which we do well to cherish, while with our best powers we put our hands and hearts to the work which they have passed on to us.

When in the deadly breach or the stern charge the front ranks are thinned, those who rush to fill the vacant places do it, not seldom, with heavy hearts and tear-dimmed eyes. With something of the same feeling we close up our ranks. God give us courage to be faithful and true, as were those whom to-day we commemorate.

Diocese of Alabama:

Rev. Horace Stringfellow, D.D., born August 6, 1827; died November 7, 1893. Deputy in nine Conventions.

Diocese of Albany:

Rev. John Ireland Tucker, D.D., born 1819; died August 17, 1895. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of Arkansas:

Mr. Logan H. Roots, born March 26, 1841; died May 30, 1893. Deputy in three Conventions.

Diocese of California:

Rev. George F. Bugbee, born July 4, 1837; died June 16, 1893. Deputy in one Convention.

Diocese of Central New York:

Rev. Russell A. Olin, D.D., born January 22, 1840; died May, 1893. Deputy in one Convention.

Diocese of Central Pennsylvania:

Mr. Robert A. Lamberton, LL.D., born December 6, 1824; died September 1, 1893. Deputy in seven Conventions.

Mr. Henry Coppée, LL.D., born October 13, 1821; died March 21, 1895. Deputy in seven Conventions.

Diocese of Chicago :

Mr. S. Corning Judd, LL.D., born July 21, 1827; died September 22, 1895. Deputy in six Conventions.

Diocese of Colorado :

Mr. George J. Boal, LL.D., born October 4, 1835; died May 17, 1895. Deputy in five Conventions.

Diocese of Connecticut :

Mr. George R. Curtis, born December 25, 1825; died May 20, 1893. Deputy in one Convention.

Mr. Andrew L. Kidston, born November 17, 1807; died January 29, 1894. Deputy in one Convention.

Mr. William Augustus Muhlenberg Wainwright, M.D., died October, 1894. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of Easton :

Rev. Theodore P. Barber, D.D., born January 27, 1822; died in January, 1893. Deputy in nine Conventions.

Diocese of East Carolina :

Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D.D., born March 24, 1822; died May 20, 1893. Deputy in six Conventions.

Diocese of Georgia :

Rev. Henry K. Rees, born June 11, 1822; died March 25, 1893. Deputy in two Conventions.

Rev. Thomas G. Pond, born January 31, 1827; died August 16, 1893. Deputy in one Convention.

Mr. John S. Davidson, born June 17, 1846; died March 11, 1894. Deputy in five Conventions.

Diocese of Indiana :

Rt. Rev. David B. Knickerbacker, D.D., born February 24, 1833; died December 31, 1894. Deputy in seven Conventions.

Diocese of Kansas :

Rt. Rev. Elisha S. Thomas, D.D., born March 2, 1833; died March 9, 1895. Deputy in four Conventions.

Diocese of Kentucky :

Mr. William Cornwall, born Feb. 27, 1814; died March 15, 1895. Deputy in nine Conventions.

Diocese of Long Island :

Rev. Charles H. Hall, D.D., LL.D., born November 7, 1820; died September 12, 1895. Deputy in seven Conventions.

Diocese of Maine :

Rev. William H. Washburn, born November 27, 1829; died Ascension Day, 1895. Deputy in six Conventions.

Diocese of Maryland :

Mr. C. M. Mathews, born November 9, 1836; died April 1, 1895. Deputy in one Convention.

Diocese of Massachusetts :

Rt. Rev. Phillips Brooks, D.D., born December 13, 1835; died January 23, 1893. Deputy in four Conventions.

Mr. George C. Shattuck, M.D., born July 22, 1813; died March 1893. Deputy in eight Conventions.

Mr. Robert C. Winthrop, born May 12, 1809; died November 16, 1893. Deputy in five Conventions.

Mr. Alexander H. Rice, born August 30, 1818; died July 22, 1893. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of Milwaukee :

Rev. William Bliss Ashley, D.D., born July 12, 1811; died March 26, 1893. Deputy in three Conventions.

Rev. David Keene, D.D., born March 7, 1820; died February 23, 1893. Deputy in four Conventions.

Diocese of Michigan :

Mr. Henry Porter Baldwin, born February 22, 1824; died December 31, 1892. Deputy in fifteen Conventions.

Diocese of New Hampshire :

Rev. Henry Augustus Colt, D.D., born June 20, 1830; died February 5, 1893. Deputy in eleven Conventions.

Mr. George Olcott, born 1838; died 1895. Deputy in four Conventions.

Diocese of New York :

Rev. Stevens Parker, D.D., born October 25, 1830; died March 15, 1894. Deputy in one Convention.

Diocese of Oregon :

Rev. William L. MacEwan, born June 22, 1851; died April 5, 1895. Deputy in one Convention.

Mr. Mathew P. Deady, born May 12, 1824; died March 24, 1893. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of Ohio :

Rev. Lewis Burton, D.D., born July 3, 1815; died October 9, 1894. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of Southern Ohio :

Rev. David Pise, D.D., born September 29, 1815; died August 19, 1894. Deputy in three Conventions.

Diocese of Rhode Island :

Thomas Poynton Ives Goddard, born August 12, 1828; died March 30, 1893. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of Springfield :

Rev. J. M. C. Fulton, D.D., died May 11, 1895. Deputy in one Convention.

Diocese of Texas :

Rev. Stephen Moylan Bird, born March 13, 1841; died November 27, 1894. Deputy in five Conventions.

Diocese of Virginia :

Rev. Kinloch Nelson, D.D. born November 2, 1839; died October 25, 1894. Deputy in three Conventions.

Rev. Churchill J. Gibson, D.D., born October 19, 1819; died October 31, 1892. Deputy in one Convention.

In behalf of the Committee,

REESE F. ALSOP.

Chairman.

APPENDIX VIII. — 1.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

THE Registrar of the General Convention respectfully presents the following report:

Since the last General Convention the Registrar has attended either in person or by the appointment of a Deputy Registrar, the consecration of fourteen Bishops. Duplicate letters of Consecration have been placed on the file, and full entries of such consecrations have been made in the Book of Registry.

There have been received from the Secretary of the House of Bishops, the documents presented by the Bishop of Pittsburgh, in connection with the action of the State and General Conventions, 1784–86, and from the Secretary of the House of Deputies, a complete set of the Journals of the General Convention. A systematic effort has been made to secure for the Archives complete sets of all the Diocesan Journals. The Registrar desires to record his thanks to the Bishops and Registrars of the Dioceses who have responded to his appeal. Over five hundred Journals have been secured, and have been bound in one hundred and ten volumes and added to the Archive Library. The most valuable addition is due to the kindness of the Bishop of Maryland, who forwarded bound volumes of the Journals of his Diocese, almost complete from 1780.

The Journals of these Dioceses are now complete: viz., Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Georgia, Newark, Long Island, Albany, Pittsburgh, Southern Ohio, Minnesota, Western Missouri, Fond du Lac, Southern Virginia, Montana, Idaho, Nebraska, and Southern Dakota.

We have nearly complete sets of the Journals of Maryland from 1780, New Hampshire from 1853, South Carolina from 1865, Delaware from 1849, Nebraska from 1886, and Indiana from 1841.

The Registrar earnestly asks the Bishops and authorities of the Dioceses to co-operate with him in making this collection of Journals as complete as they can at this late date.

The Archives are now deposited in the large and convenient room in the Church Missions House.

J. LIVINGSTON REESE,

Registrar of the General Convention.

MINNEAPOLIS, October 14, 1895.

APPENDIX VIII. — 2.
LETTERS OF CONSECRATION.

CLXIII. — LEMUEL HENRY WELLS, D.D.
DIOCESE OF SPOKANE.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY
GHOST. AMEN.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :

BE it known unto you by these presents that we, John Williams, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Connecticut, Benjamin Wistar Morris, D.D., Bishop of Oregon, and John Adams Paddock, D.D., Bishop of Olympia, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Friday, the sixteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, in Trinity Church, New Haven, Connecticut, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well beloved in Christ, the Rev. Lemuel Henry Wells, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Missionary Bishop of Spokane.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of New Haven, State of Connecticut, on this sixteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

(SEAL)	JOHN WILLIAMS, <i>Presiding Bishop.</i>
(SEAL)	B. WISTAR MORRIS, <i>Bishop of Oregon.</i>
(SEAL)	JOHN A. PADDOCK, <i>Missionary Bishop of Olympia.</i>
(SEAL)	HENRY ADAMS NEELY, <i>Bishop of Maine.</i>
(SEAL)	WM. WOODRUFF NILES, <i>Bishop of New Hampshire.</i>
(SEAL)	THEODORE B. LYMAN, <i>Bishop of North Carolina.</i>
(SEAL)	LEIGH RICHMOND BREWER, <i>Bishop of Montana.</i>
(SEAL)	WILLIAM DAVID WALKER, <i>Missionary Bishop of North Dakota.</i>
(SEAL)	ETHELBERT TALBOT, <i>Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho.</i>

CLXIV. — WILLIAM CRANE GRAY, D.D.

DIOCESE OF SOUTHERN FLORIDA.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

✠ *To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting:*

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, the Rt. Rev. Charles Todd Quintard, S.T.D., LL.D., M.D., the Rt. Rev. Thomas Underwood Dudley, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., the Rt. Rev. Edwin Gardner Weed, D.D., assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Thursday, the twenty-ninth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two, in the Church of the Advent, Nashville, Tenn., in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well beloved in Christ, the Rev. William Crane Gray, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Missionary Bishop of Southern Florida.

Given under our hands and seals in the rectory of Christ Church, Nashville, Tenn., on this the twenty-ninth day of December, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

(SEAL)	CHARLES TODD QUINTARD, <i>Bishop of Tennessee.</i>
(SEAL)	THOMAS UNDERWOOD DUDLEY, <i>Bishop of Kentucky.</i>
(SEAL)	EDWIN GARDNER WEED, <i>Bishop of Florida.</i>
(SEAL)	CLELAND KINLOCH NELSON, <i>Bishop of Georgia.</i>
(SEAL)	CHARLES R. HALE, <i>Assistant Bishop of Springfield, Bishop of Cairo.</i>

CLXV. — FRANCIS KEY BROOKE, S.T.D.

DIOCESE OF OKLAHOMA.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

✠ *To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting:*

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, D.D., Bishop of Missouri, Henry Niles Pierce, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Arkansas, Elisha Smith Thomas, D.D., Bishop of Kansas, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on the sixth day of January, being the Feast of the Epiphany, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, in Grace Cathedral, Topeka, Kansas, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity

h the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in
rist, the Rev. Francis Key Brooke, S.T.D., of whose sufficiency in
d learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were
ly ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy
holic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen
sionary Bishop of Oklahoma.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Topeka, Kansas, on this
th day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

(SEAL)	DAN. S. TUTTLE, <i>Bishop of Missouri.</i>
(SEAL)	HENRY M. PIERCE, <i>Bishop of Arkansas.</i>
(SEAL)	ELISHA S. THOMAS, <i>Bishop of Kansas.</i>
(SEAL)	JOHN F. SPALDING, <i>Bishop of Colorado.</i>
(SEAL)	THOS. A. JAGGAR, <i>Bishop of Southern Ohio.</i>
(SEAL)	J. MILLS KENDRICK, <i>Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona.</i>
(SEAL)	ANSON R. GRAVES, <i>Bishop of The Platte.</i>
(SEAL)	EDWARD R. ATWILL, <i>Bishop of West Missouri.</i>

CLXVI. — WILLIAM MORRIS BARKER, D.D.

DIOCESE OF WESTERN COLORADO.

THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY
GHOST. AMEN.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Benjamin Wistar
rris, D.D., by Divine permission Bishop of Oregon, John Franklin
alding, D.D., Bishop of Colorado, William Edward McLaren, D.D.,
C.L., Bishop of Chicago, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bish-
whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty
d, did, on Wednesday, the twenty-fifth day of January, being the
st of the Conversion of Saint Paul, in the year of our Lord one
usand eight-hundred and ninety-three, in St. Paul's Church, Duluth,
nesota, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity,
l according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episco-
Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the
ons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the
v. William Morris Barker, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, in the
y of Duluth, in the Diocese of Minnesota, of whose sufficiency in
d learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were
ly ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Cath-
and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Mission-
Bishop of Western Colorado.

Given under our hands and seals, in the city of Duluth and State of

Minnesota aforesaid, on this twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

(SEAL)

B. WISTAR MORRIS,
Bishop of Oregon.

(SEAL)

JOHN FRANKLIN SPALDING,
Bishop of Colorado.

(SEAL)

WILLIAM EDWARD McLAREN,
Bishop of Chicago.

(SEAL)

MAHLON NORRIS GILBERT,
Assistant Bishop of Minnesota.

(SEAL)

✠ ISAAC LEA NICHOLSON,
Bishop of Milwaukee.

CLXVII.—JOHN MCKIM, D.D.

DIOCESE OF YEDO.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY
GHOST. AMEN.

✠ *To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :*

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D.D., LL.D. (*Cantab.*), Bishop of Long Island, John Scarborough, D.D., Bishop of New Jersey, Alfred Barry, D.D., late Primate of Australia, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Wednesday, the fourteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, in St. Thomas' Church, New York, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well beloved in Christ, the Rev. John McKim, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of Yedo.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of New York, State of New York, on this fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

(SEAL)

ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN,
Bishop of Long Island.

(SEAL)

JOHN SCARBOROUGH,
Bishop of New Jersey.

(SEAL)

ALFRED BARRY, D.D., DC.L.,
Canon of Windsor, late Primate of Australia.

(SEAL)

THEODORE B. LYMAN,
Bishop of North Carolina.

(SEAL)

T. U. DUDLEY,
Bishop of Kentucky.

(SEAL)

GEO. W. PETERKIN,
Bishop of West Virginia.

(SEAL)

GEO. H. KINSOLVING,
Assistant Bishop of Texas.

(SEAL)

LEIGHTON COLEMAN,
Bishop of Delaware.

CLXVIII. — FREDERICK ROGERS GRAVES, S.T.D.

DIOCESE OF SHANGHAI.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

✠ *To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :*

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D.D., LL.D. (*Cantab.*), Bishop of Long Island, John Scarborough, D.D., Bishop of New Jersey, Alfred Berry, D.D., late Primate of Australia, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Wednesday, the fourteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, in St. Thomas' Church, New York, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well beloved in Christ, the Rev. Frederick Rogers Graves, S.T.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of Shanghai.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of New York, State of New York, on this fourteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

(SEAL)

ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN,
Bishop of Long Island.

(SEAL)

JOHN SCARBOROUGH,
Bishop of New Jersey.

(SEAL)

ALFRED BARRY, D.D., D.C.L.,
Canon of Windsor, late Primate of Australia.

(SEAL)

THEODORE B. LYMAN,
Bishop of North Carolina.

(SEAL)

GEO. H. KINSOLVING,
Assistant Bishop of Texas.

(SEAL)

T. U. DUDLEY,
Bishop of Kentucky.

(SEAL)

GEO. W. PETERKIN,
Bishop of West Virginia.

(SEAL)

LEIGHTON COLEMAN,
Bishop of Delaware.

CLXIX. — ELLISON CAPERS, D.D.

DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

✠ *To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :*

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Theodore Benedict Lyman, D.D., Bishop of North Carolina, Edwin Gardner Weed, S.T.D., Bishop of Florida, Henry Melville Jackson, D.D., Assistant Bishop of Alabama, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are

hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Thursday the twentieth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, in Trinity Church, Columbia, South Carolina, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Rev. Ellison Capers, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina.

Given under our hands and seals, in the city of Columbia, South Carolina, on this twentieth day of July, in the year herein above written.

(SEAL)

THEODORE B. LYMAN, *Presiding.*

(SEAL)

EDWIN G. WEED.

(SEAL)

H. M. JACKSON.

(SEAL)

A. A. WATSON.

CLXX. — THOMAS FRANK GAILOR, S.T.D.

DIOCESE OF TENNESSEE.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

✠ *To the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :*

Be it known unto you by these presents, that we, Charles Todd Quintard, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Tennessee, Thomas Underwood Dudley, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of the Diocese of Kentucky, Cleland Kinloch Nelson, D.D., Bishop of Georgia, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Tuesday, the twenty-fifth day of July, being the feast of St. James, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, in Saint Augustine's Chapel, Sewanee, Tennessee, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Rev. Thomas Frank Gailor, S.T.D., Vice-President of the University of South Sewanee, Tennessee, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Tennessee.

Given under our hands and seals, in the town of Sewanee, in the Diocese of Tennessee, on this twenty-fifth day of July, A. D. MDCCCXCIII.

(SEAL)

CHARLES TODD QUINTARD.

(SEAL)

T. U. DUDLEY,

Bishop of Kentucky.

(SEAL)

CLELAND KINLOCH NELSON,

Bishop of Georgia.

(SEAL)

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR,

Bishop of Springfield.

(SEAL)

J. S. JOHNSTON,

Bishop of West Texas.

(SEAL)

ALFRED A. WATSON,

Bishop of East Carolina.

(SEAL)	GEORGE H. KINSOLVING, <i>Bishop of Texas.</i>
(SEAL)	WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, <i>Bishop of Iowa.</i>
(SEAL)	WM. CRANE GRAY, <i>Bishop of Southern Florida.</i>
(SEAL)	DAVIS SESSUMS, <i>Bishop of Louisiana.</i>
(SEAL)	H. M. JACKSON, <i>Assistant Bishop of Alabama.</i>
(SEAL)	CHAS. R. HALE, <i>Assistant Bishop of Springfield.</i>

Attest: F. O. DAVENPORT,
Registrar of Consecration.

CLXXI. — WILLIAM LAWRENCE, D.D.

DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY
GHOST. AMEN.

✠ *To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :*

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, John Williams, D.D., LL.D., by Divine permission Bishop of Connecticut and Presiding Bishop, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on the Thursday following the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, being the fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, in Trinity Church, Boston, Massachusetts, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Rev. William Lawrence, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of Massachusetts.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of Boston, State of Massachusetts, on this fifth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

(SEAL)	J. WILLIAMS, <i>Presiding Bishop.</i>
(SEAL)	WM. CROSWELL DOANE, <i>Bishop of Albany.</i>
(SEAL)	F. NOVA SCOTIA.
(SEAL)	THOMAS MARSH CLARK, <i>Bishop of Rhode Island.</i>
(SEAL)	HENRY A. NEELY, <i>Bishop of Maine.</i>
(SEAL)	WM. WOODRUFF NILES, <i>Bishop of New Hampshire.</i>
(SEAL)	HENRY CODMAN POTTER, <i>Bishop of New York.</i>
(SEAL)	ALFRED MAGILL RANDOLPH, <i>Bishop of Southern Virginia.</i>

CLXXII. — JOSEPH BLOUNT CHESHIRE, JR., D.D.

DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

✠ *To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :*

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Theodore Benedict Lyman, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of North Carolina, Alfred Augustin Watson, D.D., Bishop of East Carolina, Ellison Capers, D.D., Bishop of South Carolina, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on the Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, being the fifteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, in Calvary Church, Tarborough, North Carolina, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Rev. Joseph Blount Cheshire, Jr., D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Assistant Bishop of North Carolina.

Given under our hands and seals, in the town of Tarborough in the said State, on this day and year herein above written.

(SEAL)

THEODORE B. LYMAN,

Bishop of North Carolina.

(SEAL)

ALFRED AUGUSTIN WATSON,

Bishop of East Carolina.

(SEAL)

ELLISON CAPERS,

Assistant Bishop of South Carolina.

(SEAL)

CHARLES TODD QUINTARD,

Bishop of Tennessee.

(SEAL)

THOMAS UNDERWOOD DUDLEY,

Bishop of Kentucky.

(SEAL)

EDWIN G. WEED,

Bishop of Florida.

(SEAL)

DAVIS SESSUMS,

Bishop of Louisiana.

Attest :

E. A. OSBORNE, *Deputy Registrar.*

CLXXIII. — ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, D.D.

DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

✠ *To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :*

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Henry Adams Neely, Bishop of Maine, William Woodruff Niles, Bishop of New Hampshire, William Lawrence, Bishop of Massachusetts, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on the Festival of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the second day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, in St. Paul's Church, Burlington, Vermont, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in

conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Rev. Arthur Crawshay Alliston Hall, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of Vermont.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of Burlington, Vermont, on this second day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four.

(SEAL)	HENRY ADAMS NEELY, <i>Bishop of Maine.</i>
(SEAL)	WM. WOODRUFF NILES, <i>Bishop of New Hampshire.</i>
(SEAL)	WILLIAM LAWRENCE, <i>Bishop of Massachusetts.</i>
(SEAL)	J. T. ONTARIO, <i>Metropolitan of Canada.</i>
(SEAL)	✠ CHAS. CHAPMAN GRAFTON, S.T.D., <i>Bishop of Fond du Lac.</i>
(SEAL)	LEIGHTON COLEMAN, <i>Bishop of Delaware.</i>

CLXXIV.—JOHN BROCKENBROUGH NEWTON, D.D.

DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

✠ *To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :*

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Francis McNeece Whittle, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Virginia, Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., Bishop of Southern Virginia, George William Peterkin, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of West Virginia, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Wednesday the sixteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-four, in Monumental Church, Richmond, Virginia, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Rev. John Brockenbrough Newton, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of Richmond, State of Virginia, on this the sixteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and ninety-four.

FRANCIS M. WHITTLE, <i>Bishop of Virginia.</i>
GEO. W. PETERKIN, <i>Bishop of West Virginia.</i>
ALFRED M. RANDOLPH, <i>Bishop of Southern Virginia.</i>
ELLISON CAPERS, <i>Bishop of South Carolina.</i>
T. U. DUDLEY, <i>Bishop of Kentucky.</i>
H. M. JACKSON, <i>Assistant Bishop of Alabama.</i>

CLXXV. — JOHN HAZEN WHITE, D.D.

DIOCESE OF INDIANA.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

✠ *To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :*

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, D.D., by the grace of God Bishop of Missouri, Mahlon Norris Gilbert, D.D., by the grace of God Assistant Bishop of Minnesota, and William Andrew Leonard, D.D., by the grace of God Bishop of Ohio, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Wednesday, the first day of May, being the Feast of Saints Philip and James, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, in St. Paul's Church, city of Indianapolis, State of Indiana, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Rev John Hazen White, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of the Diocese of Indiana.

Given under our hands and seals, in the city of Indianapolis and State of Indiana, on this first day of May, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

(SEAL)	DANIEL S. TUTTLE, <i>Bishop of Missouri.</i>
(SEAL)	MAHLON NORRIS GILBERT, <i>Assistant Bishop of Minnesota.</i>
(SEAL)	WILLIAM ANDREW LEONARD, <i>Bishop of Ohio.</i>
(SEAL)	WILLIAM EDWARD McLAREN, <i>Bishop of Chicago.</i>
(SEAL)	CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD, <i>Bishop of Pittsburgh.</i>
(SEAL)	✠ ISAAC LEA NICHOLSON, <i>Bishop of Milwaukee.</i>
(SEAL)	CHAS. R. HALE, <i>Assistant Bishop of Springfield.</i> <i>(Bishop of Cairo).</i>

Attest:

G. E. SWAN, *Deputy Registrar.*

CLXXVI. — FRANK ROSEBROOK MILLSPAUGH.

DIOCESE OF KANSAS.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST.

✠ *To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting :*

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Minnesota, Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Missouri, John Franklin Spalding, D.D.,

LL.D., Bishop of Colorado, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the nineteenth day of September, and being the Thursday before the fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-five, in Grace Cathedral, Topeka, Kansas, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Rev. Frank Rosebrook Millspaugh, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of Kansas.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of Topeka, on this, the nineteenth day of September, eighteen hundred and ninety-five.

(SEAL)

HENRY BENJAMIN WHIPPLE,

Bishop of Minnesota.

(SEAL)

DANIEL SYLVESTER TUTTLE,

Bishop of Missouri.

(SEAL)

JOHN FRANKLIN SPALDING,

Bishop of Colorado.

(SEAL)

EDWARD R. ATWILL,

Bishop of West Missouri.

FRANCIS KEY BROOKE,

Bishop of Oklahoma.

APPENDIX IX.

REPORT OF THE RECORDER OF ORDINATIONS.

ORDINATIONS BY BISHOPS OF THE AMERICAN CHURCH, 1885-1895.

Bishop George Burgess prepared a list of ordinations to the diaconate from 1785 to 1857, both inclusive.

The Rev. E. H. Downing continued this list to the end of the year 1884.

In the former list there were 2,787 names and in the latter 3,190.

The "copyist" of the Burgess list added one name.

The present compiler has found 22 omitted names.

The total number of persons ordained to the Holy Order of Deacons up to Dec. 31, 1884, was then:—

Burgess list	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2,787	
Added by "copyist"	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	
Added by present compiler	2	2,790
Downing list	3,190	
Added by present compiler	20	3,210
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Total to Dec. 31, 1884		6,000

The omissions are herein supplied, and the numbering is begun with number 6,001 as more significant than if this list were begun at the unit. It is not desired to ignore the past, but to include it.

HERMAN COPE DUNCAN,
Recorder of Ordinations.

ORDINATIONS, 1883.

NO.	NAME.	DRACON.	BISHOP.
6001	Joseph Cooper Hall.....	Jan. 18,	Starkey.
6002	Frank DeFrees Miller.....	" 21,	Kip.
6003	Joseph A. Foy.....	" 25,	Robertson.
6004	Pedro Duarte.....	" 25,	Stevens.
6005	Charles Westerman.....	Feb. 7,	Williams, J.
6006	Roland Cotton Smith.....	" 8,	Perry.
6007	Edward Campbell Johnson.....	" 15,	Doane, W. C.
6008	John James Harris.....	" 22,	Wilmer, R. H.
6009	Julius William Bleker.....	" 22,	Galleher.
6010	Yamagata San.,.....	" 24,	Williams, C. M.
6011	John Arthur.....	" 26,	Huntington.
6012	Gilbert A. Ottmann.....	" 26,	Huntington.
6013	Charles Samuel Walkley.....	March 1,	Dudley.
6014	David Douglas Wallace.....	" 1,	Spalding.
6015	William Rogers Israel.....	" 11,	Bedell.
6016	Robert Mackellar.....	" 25,	Seymour.
6017	Robert Gilbert Osborn.....	May 2,	Williams, J.
6018	Ely Draper Sutcliffe.....	" 7,	Potter, H. C.
6019	James L. Lancaster.....	" 10,	Thompson.
6020	Charles Eugene Brandt.....	" 21,	Knickerbacker.
6021	Thomas Chalmers Battle.....	" 24,	Gregg.
6022	Harry Cassell.....	" 24,	Gregg.
6023	Charles Temple.....	" 30,	Doane, W. C.
6024	Judah Dana.....	" 30,	Bissell.
6025	Sheldon Munson Griswold.....	" 31,	Doane, W. C.
6026	Herbert Henry Cameron.....	" 31,	Doane, W. C.
6027	Lucius Daniel Hopkins.....	" 31,	Brown.
6028	Anthony Theodore DeLearsy.....	" 31,	Dudley.
6029	Jeese Albert Locke.....	" 31,	Littlejohn.
6030	Charles Augustus Jessup.....	" 31,	Littlejohn.
6031	Robert Samuel Carlin.....	" 31,	Littlejohn.
6032	Charles Wheeler Coit.....	" 31,	Niles.
6033	Allan Richy.....	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6034	Elliott White Bumpstead.....	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6035	Prescott Everts.....	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6036	James Buchanan Niles.....	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6037	Ernest A. Carlisle.....	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6038	Charles Samuel Marvin Belden.....	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6039	Robert Eskine Wright.....	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6040	Harry Bantam.....	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6041	Henry Martin Kirkby.....	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6042	Charles Edgar Taylor.....	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6043	Alfred J. Derbyshire.....	" 31,	Starkey.
6044	John Baptiste Blanchet.....	" 31,	Seymour.
6045	Alexander Mann.....	" 31,	Coxe.
6046	Charles Henry Lemoh.....	" 31,	Welles.
6047	Sidney Thomas Smythe.....	" 31,	Welles.
6048	Frank Henry Church.....	June 3,	Niles.
6049	Frederic Gardiner.....	" 3,	Niles.
6050	Samuel Milton Holden.....	" 3,	Niles.
6051	John Henry McCracken.....	" 3,	Niles.
6052	Schurman Halsted Watkins.....	" 3,	Niles.
6053	William Walter Webb.....	" 3,	Niles.
6054	Joseph B. Fitzpatrick.....	" 3,	Peterkin.
6055	George William Lay.....	" 5,	Lee, A.
6056	Lewis Thomas Watson.....	" 5,	Lee, A.
6057	George D. Wright.....	" 7,	Harris.
6058	Carroll Everett Harding.....	" 9,	Neely.
6059	William Shreve Chase.....	" 9,	Clark.
6060	Andrew Fleming.....	" 10,	Whitehead.
6061	George Hawthorne Hills.....	" 11,	Scarborough.
6062	Charles Alfred Rickacker.....	" 11,	Stevens.
6063	Frank Schell Ballantine.....	" 11,	Stevens.
6064	Alfred J. Pollock McClure.....	" 11,	Stevens.
6065	Henry B. Bryan.....	" 11,	Stevens.
6066	James Power Hawkes.....	" 14,	Howe, M. A. D.
6067	Christopher Smith Sargent.....	" 14,	Knickerbacker.
6068	Robert Cole.....	" 14,	Whipple.
6069	George H. Yarnall.....	" 14,	Whipple.
6070	Edward H. Clark.....	" 14,	Whipple.

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May 27, 1888,	Starkey.....	8001
Dec. 21, 1886,	Kip.....	8002
Jan. 21, 1886,	Robertson.....	Deposed, 1888.....	8003
Nov. 8, 1891,	Whitaker.....	.....	8004
Dec. 21, 1886,	Williams, J.....	.....	8005
June 8, 1886,	Paddock, B. H.....	.....	8006
Sept. 22, 1885,	Morris.....	.....	8007
.....	.....	.....	8008
March 25, 1886,	Galleher.....	.....	8009
.....	.....	For the English Mission in Japan.....	8010
April 2, 1886,	Huntington.....	.....	8011
Oct. 2, 1885,	Huntington.....	.....	8012
Sept. 20, 1888,	Dudley.....	.....	8013
June 9, 1886,	Spalding.....	.....	8014
March 9, 1886,	Whitehead.....	.....	8015
June 17, 1886,	Seymour.....	.....	8016
Dec. 14, 1885,	Scarborough.....	.....	8017
March 25, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	8018
Jan. 3, 1888,	Thompson.....	.....	8019
Nov. 12, 1886,	Knickerbacker.....	.....	8020
May 23, 1887,	Gregg.....	.....	8021
" 24, 1887,	Gregg.....	.....	8022
Feb. 26, 1880,	Doane, W. C.....	.....	8023
Dec. 17, 1880,	Bissell.....	Died, Sept. 15, 1882, no. 75.....	8024
Nov. 18, 1883,	Doane, W. C.....	.....	8025
" 18, 1885,	Doane, W. C.....	Died, July 25, 1888.....	8026
June 24, 1886,	Brown.....	.....	8027
April 27, 1886,	Dudley.....	.....	8028
Dec. 20, 1885,	Littlejohn.....	Deposed, 1893.....	8029
March 10, 1886,	Littlejohn.....	.....	8030
Dec. 20, 1885,	Littlejohn.....	Died, Nov. 22, 1891, no. 33.....	8031
June 20, 1880,	Niles.....	.....	8032
March 17, 1886,	Williams, J.....	.....	8033
Dec. 12, 1886,	Scarborough.....	.....	8034
June 20, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	8035
" 20, 1888,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	8036
" 20, 1888,	Potter, H. C.....	Deposed, April 20, 1889.....	8037
" 20, 1888,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	8038
March 23, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	8039
" 25, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	8040
Nov. 1, 1886,	Harris.....	.....	8041
March 25, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	8042
Feb. 7, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	8043
Nov. 18, 1885,	Doane, W. C.....	.....	8044
June 20, 1884,	Coxe.....	.....	8045
Dec. 19, 1886,	Welles.....	Deposed, July 17, 1894.....	8046
June 30, 1886,	Welles.....	8047
May 26, 1880,	Williams, J.....	8048
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May 26, 1880,	Williams, J.....	8050
" 26, 1880,	Williams, J.....	8051
" 27, 1880,	Williams, J.....	8052
Nov. 10, 1880,	Williams, J.....	8053
June 2, 1880,	Williams, J.....	.....	8054
April 27, 1886,	Peterkin.....	.....	8055
Dec. 12, 1886,	Whitehead.....	.....	8056
March 29, 1886,	Scarborough.....	.....	8057
Sept. 2, 1885,	Harris.....	.....	8058
April 24, 1885,	Neely.....	.....	8059
June 5, 1885,	Clark.....	.....	8060
" 5, 1885,	Whitehead.....	.....	8061
Nov. 22, 1885,	Scarborough.....	.....	8062
June 9, 1885,	Lee, A.....	.....	8063
" 11, 1885,	Stevens.....	.....	8064
" 11, 1885,	Whitehead.....	.....	8065
Dec. 11, 1885,	Whitehead.....	.....	8066
July 17, 1885,	Rulison.....	.....	8067
Nov. 17, 1885,	Knickerbacker.....	.....	8068
Nov. 17, 1885,	Whitaker.....	8069
" 17, 1885,	Whipple.....	Deposed, Jan. 6, 1894.....	8070
" 17, 1885,	Whipple.....	8071

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No.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
6001	Joseph Cooper Hall	Jan. 13,	Starkey.
6002	Frank DeFrees Miller	" 21,	Kip.
6003	Joseph A. Foy	" 25,	Robertson.
6004	Pedro Duarte	" 25,	Stevens.
6005	Charles Westerman	Feb. 7,	Williams, J.
6006	Roland Cotton Smith	" 8,	Perry.
6007	Edward Campbell Johnson	" 15,	Doane, W. C.
6008	John James Harris	" 22,	Wilmer, B. H.
6009	Julius William Bleker	" 22,	Galleher.
6010	Yamagata San	" 24,	Williams, C. M.
6011	John Arthur	" 26,	Huntington.
6012	Gilbert A. Ottmann	" 26,	Huntington.
6013	Charles Samuel Walkley	March 1,	Dudley.
6014	David Douglas Wallace	" 1,	Spalding.
6015	William Rogers Israel	" 11,	Bedell.
6016	Robert Mackellar	" 25,	Seymour.
6017	Robert Gilbert Osborn	May 2,	Williams, J.
6018	Ely Draper Sutcliffe	" 7,	Potter, H. C.
6019	James L. Lancaster	" 10,	Thompson.
6020	Clarence Eugene Brandt	" 21,	Knickerbocker.
6021	Thomas Chalmers Bittle	" 24,	Gregg.
6022	Harry Cassil	" 24,	Gregg.
6023	Charles Temple	" 30,	Doane, W. C.
6024	Judah Dana	" 30,	Bissell.
6025	Sheldon Munson Griswold	" 31,	Doane, W. C.
6026	Herbert Henry Cameron	" 31,	Doane, W. C.
6027	Lucius Daniel Hopkins	" 31,	Brown.
6028	Anthony Theodore DeLearsy	" 31,	Dudley.
6029	Jesse Albert Locke	" 31,	Littlejohn.
6030	Charles Augustus Jessup	" 31,	Littlejohn.
6031	Robert Samuel Curhn	" 31,	Littlejohn.
6032	Charles Wheeler Coit	" 31,	Niles.
6033	Alban Richey	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6034	Elliott White Bumpston	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6035	Prescott Lyarts	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6036	James Buchanan Niles	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6037	Ernest Voorhis	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6038	Charles Samuel Marilyn Belden	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6039	Robert Erskine Wright	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6040	Harry Baumann	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6041	Henry Mart n Kirby	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6042	Charles Edgar Taylor	" 31,	Potter, H. C.
6043	Alfred J. Derbyshire	" 31,	Starker.
6044	John Battiste Blanchet	" 31,	Seymour.
6045	Alexander Mann	" 31,	Coxe.
6046	Charles Henry Lemon	" 31,	Welles.
6047	Sidney Thomas Saythe	" 31,	Welles.
6048	Frank Henry Church	June 3,	Niles.
6049	Frederic Gardiner	" 3,	Niles.
6050	Samuel Milton Holden	" 3,	Niles.
6051	John Henry McCracken	" 3,	Niles.
6052	Schuylerman Halstead Watkins	" 3,	Niles.
6053	William Walter Welch	" 3,	Niles.
6054	Joseph B. Fitzpatrick	" 3,	Peterkin.
6055	George William Lay	" 3,	Lee, A.
6056	Lewis Thomas Watson	" 5,	Lee, A.
6057	George D. Wright	" 7,	Harris.
6058	Carroll Everett Harding	" 9,	Neely.
6059	William Sheafe Chase	" 9,	Clark.
6060	Andrew Fleming	" 10,	Whitehead.
6061	George Heathcote Hills	" 11,	Scarborough.
6062	Charles Alfred Rick-cker	" 11,	Stevens.
6063	Frank Schell Balkentine	" 11,	Stevens.
6064	Alfred J. Peabock McClure	" 11,	Stevens.
6065	Henry B. Brian	" 11,	Stevens.
6066	James Power Hawkes	" 14,	Howe, M. A. D.
6067	Christopher Smith Sargent	" 14,	Knickerbocker.
6068	Robert Coles	" 14,	Whipple.
6069	George H. Yarnall	" 14,	Whipple.
6070	Edward B. Clark	" 14,	Whipple.

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May 27, 1888,	Starkey.....	6001
Dec. 21, 1886,	Kip.....	6002
Jan. 21, 1886,	Robertson.....	Deposed, 1888.....	6003
Nov. 8, 1881,	Whitaker.....	.....	6004
Dec. 21, 1886,	Williams, J.....	.....	6005
June 8, 1886,	Paddock, B. H.....	.....	6006
Sept. 22, 1885,	Morris.....	.....	6007
.....	.....	.....	6008
March 25, 1886,	Galleher.....	.....	6009
.....	.....	For the English Mission in Japan.....	6010
April 2, 1886,	Huntington.....	.....	6011
Oct. 2, 1885,	Huntington.....	.....	6012
Sept. 20, 1888,	Dudley.....	.....	6013
June 9, 1886,	Spalding.....	.....	6014
March 9, 1886,	Whitehead.....	.....	6015
June 17, 1886,	Seymour.....	.....	6016
Dec. 12, 1885,	Scarborough.....	.....	6017
March 25, 1885,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6018
Jan. 3, 1886,	Thompson.....	.....	6019
Nov. 12, 1886,	Knickerbacker.....	.....	6020
May 23, 1887,	Gregg.....	.....	6021
" 23, 1887,	Gregg.....	.....	6022
Feb. 26, 1886,	Doane, W. C.....	.....	6023
Dec. 17, 1886,	Bissell.....	Died, Sept. 15, 1892; ae. 75.....	6024
Nov. 18, 1885,	Doane, W. C.....	.....	6025
" 18, 1885,	Doane, W. C.....	Died, July 25, 1888.....	6026
June 24, 1886,	Brown.....	.....	6027
April 27, 1886,	Dudley.....	.....	6028
Dec. 20, 1885,	Littlejohn.....	Deposed, 1898.....	6029
March 10, 1886,	Littlejohn.....	.....	6030
Dec. 20, 1885,	Littlejohn.....	Died, Nov. 22, 1891; ae. 33.....	6031
June 20, 1886,	Niles.....	.....	6032
March 17, 1886,	Williams, J.....	.....	6033
Dec. 12, 1886,	Scarborough.....	.....	6034
June 20, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6035
" 20, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6036
" 20, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	Deposed, April 20, 1889.....	6037
" 20, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6038
March 25, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6039
" 25, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6040
Nov. 1, 1886,	Harris.....	.....	6041
March 25, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6042
Feb. 7, 1886,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6043
Nov. 18, 1885,	Doane, W. C.....	.....	6044
June 20, 1886,	Coxe.....	.....	6045
Dec. 19, 1886,	Welles.....	Deposed, July 17, 1894.....	6046
June 20, 1886,	Welles.....	6047
May 26, 1886,	Williams, J.....	6048
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May 26, 1886,	Williams, J.....	6050
" 26, 1886,	Williams, J.....	6051
" 26, 1886,	Williams, J.....	6052
Nov. 10, 1886,	Williams, J.....	6053
June 2, 1886,	Peterkin.....	.....	6054
April 27, 1886,	Whitehead.....	.....	6055
Dec. 12, 1886,	Scarborough.....	.....	6056
March 28, 1886,	Harris.....	.....	6057
Sept. 2, 1885,	Neely.....	.....	6058
April 24, 1886,	Clark.....	.....	6059
June 5, 1887,	Whitehead.....	.....	6060
" 5, 1887,	Scarborough.....	.....	6061
Nov. 22, 1885,	Lee, A.....	.....	6062
June 9, 1886,	Stevens.....	.....	6063
" 11, 1887,	Whitehead.....	.....	6064
" 11, 1887,	Whitehead.....	.....	6065
" 11, 1886,	Rullison.....	.....	6066
Dec. 20, 1887,	Knickerbacker.....	.....	6067
July 17, 1887,	Whitaker.....	6068
Nov. 6, 1886,	Whipple.....	Deposed, Jan. 6, 1894.....	6069
" 6, 1886,	Whipple.....	6070

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No.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
6071	A. Bailey Hill	June 14,	Whipple.
6072	Sidney G. Jeffords	" 14,	Whipple.
6073	Allen Carrington Prescott	" 14,	Welles
6074	George Alexander Strong	" 17,	Paddock, B. H.
6075	Charles Elizur Barnes	" 17,	Paddock, B. H.
6076	Henry Wood	" 17,	Paddock, B. H.
6077	Henry Rufus Sargent	" 17,	Paddock, B. H.
6078	John Wallace Suter	" 17,	Paddock, B. H.
6079	Carlton Putnam Mills	" 17,	Paddock, B. H.
6080	Rowland Hale	" 18,	Quintard.
6081	Harry O. Riddell	" 18,	Quintard.
6082	Alfred Wilson Griffin	" 18,	Quintard.
6083	Alfred Robert Taylor	" 18,	Quintard.
6084	William Sharp	" 18,	Quintard.
6085	Benjamin W. Timothy	" 20,	Robertson.
6086	George F. Smythe	" 21,	Bedell.
6087	Rollo Dyer	" 21,	Bedell.
6088	Victor Hugo Webb	" 22,	Burgess, A.
6089	Abraham Shoreland Rawlins Richards	" 24,	Whitehead.
6090	Charles Smith Cook	" 24,	Hare.
6091	John Cannon Hobson	" 26,	Whittle.
6092	Joseph Courtney Jones	" 26,	Whittle.
6093	William Nelson Meade	" 26,	Whittle.
6094	Kentling Simons Nelson	" 26,	Whittle.
6095	George Smith Somerville	" 26,	Whittle.
6096	Henry Thompson Wingman	" 26,	Peterkin.
6097	Francis Joseph Hall	July 1,	Brown.
6098	William Wilfred Campbell	" 2,	Niles.
6099	T. Howard MacQuisary	" 10,	Peterkin.
6100	Henry Kiersted Bicker	" 26,	Starkey.
6101	Edward P. Green	" 27,	Lyman.
6102	Walter James Wicks	" 27,	Hare.
6103	William Worthington	" 30,	Spalding.
6104	George Shuttlewood Atwood	Sept. 2,	Neely.
6105	Joseph C. Taylor	" 13,	Hare.
6106	Alexander R. Mitchell	" 20,	Howe, W. B. W.
6107	Andrew Ernest Cornish	" 20,	Howe, W. B. W.
6108	Charles Anson Potter	Oct. 3,	Huntington.
6109	John Augustus Harris	" 4,	Thompson.
6110	Chauncey Vibbard	" 7,	Huntington.
6111	Edward Dudley Tibbitts	" 10,	Doane, W. C.
6112	Joseph Allen Antrim	" 14,	Vall.
6113	Zu Seng Chu	" 24,	Doane, W. J. Jr.
6114	John H. Molineaux	" 28,	Williams, C. M.
6115	George Ray Sprink	Nov. 1,	Clark.
6116	Charles Henry Raggs	" 6,	Perry.
6117	Philip Moen Washburn	" 13,	Paddock, B. H.
6118	John McGraw Foster	" 13,	Paddock, B. H.
6119	Jacob Shyetz Hertzell	" 22,	Lee, A.
6120	Alfred W. Arundell	" 30,	Spalding.
6121	William E. Howell	Dec. 13,	Whittle.
6122	D. Wilson Taylor	" 14,	Whittle.
6123	John T. Harrison	" 14,	Whittle.
6124	Joseph W. Carroll	" 14,	Whittle.
6125	Samuel Batley McGilchrist	" 14,	Quintard.
6126	Robert Atkinson Mayo	" 20,	Paret.
6127	John Henry Perkins	" 20,	Cove.
6128	Martin Kellogg Schermerhorn	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
6129	William Henry Weeks	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
6130	Leonard Walter Lott	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
6131	Kenneth M. Dean	" 24,	Robertson.
6132	Walter Hughson	" 27,	Starkey.
6133	R. Hester Hoskin	" 29,	Harris.
6134	Christian Martin Young	" 31,	Paret.
6135	Robert Harris	*	
6136	Parnell Le Bas Cross	*	

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Nov.	6, 1886,	Whipple	8071
"	6, 1886,	Whipple	8072
June	20, 1886,	Potter, H. C.	8073
"	8, 1886,	Paddock, B. H.	8074
"	8, 1886,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	8075
"	8, 1886,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	8076
"	20, 1886,	Paret .....	.....	8077
"	8, 1886,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	8078
"	8, 1886,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	8079
"	20, 1886,	Quintard .....	.....	8080
"	20, 1886,	Quintard .....	.....	8081
"	20, 1886,	Quintard .....	.....	8082
July	13, 1886,	Scarborough .....	.....	8083
April	4, 1886,	Gregg .....	.....	8084
July	11, 1887,	Tuttle	Emigrated	8085
Feb.	14, 1886,	Bedell .....	.....	8086
June	19, 1887,	Bedell .....	.....	8087
.....	.....	.....	.....	8088
.....	.....	.....	.....	8089
.....	.....	.....	Died, April 15, 1883	8090
.....	.....	.....	Died, Feb. 15, 1880; ac. 82.....	8091
.....	.....	.....	.....	8092
June	29, 1886,	Whittle .....	.....	8093
.....	.....	.....	.....	8094
.....	.....	.....	.....	8095
June	2, 1886,	Peterkin	Deposed, April 25, 1887	8096
Feb.	21, 1886,	McLaren .....	.....	8097
July	7, 1886,	Niles .....	.....	8098
Aug.	2, 1886,	Peterkin	Deposed, 1891.....	8099
.....	.....	.....	.....	8100
Nov.	20, 1891,	Lyman .....	.....	8101
.....	.....	.....	.....	8102
Feb.	24, 1886,	Spalding .....	.....	8103
.....	.....	.....	Deposed, 1886; while a Deacon	8104
.....	.....	.....	.....	8105
Sept.	19, 1886,	Howe, W. B. W. ....	.....	8106
"	19, 1886,	Howe, W. B. W. ....	.....	8107
June	16, 1886,	Hare .....	.....	8108
Jan.	8, 1886,	Thompson .....	.....	8109
March	13, 1887,	Huntington	Died, Jan. 3, 1883; ac. 37.....	8110
Dec.	29, 1886,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	8111
July	8, 1886,	Vall .....	.....	8112
.....	.....	.....	Died, 1880; while a Deacon	8113
June	16, 1886,	Haro .....	.....	8114
"	14, 1886,	Clark	Died, March 10, 1883; ac. 55	8115
.....	.....	.....	Deposed, May 20, 1886	8116
Nov.	5, 1886,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	8117
"	5, 1886,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	8118
March	13, 1880,	Whittaker .....	.....	8119
June	9, 1886,	Spalding .....	.....	8120
.....	.....	.....	.....	8121
.....	.....	.....	Deposed, March 7, 1882, while a Deacon	8122
.....	.....	.....	.....	8123
.....	.....	.....	.....	8124
Dec.	1, 1888,	Quintard .....	.....	8125
"	19, 1886,	Paret .....	.....	8126
Aug.	24, 1887,	Worthington .....	.....	8127
March	23, 1886,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	8128
June	12, 1892,	Littlejohn .....	.....	8129
Feb.	14, 1887,	Clark .....	.....	8130
April	3, 1890,	Tuttle .....	.....	8131
.....	.....	.....	.....	8132
Oct.	3, 1886,	Harris .....	.....	8133
April	27, 1886,	Dudley	8134
May	29, 1886,	Coxe	8135
June	20, 1886,	Littlejohn	8136

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6207	Adolph Martin Lewish.....	June 30,	Potter, H. C.
6208	George Nelson Mead	" 30,	Potter, H. C.
6209	Henry Page Dyer	" 30,	Potter, H. C.
6210	William W. Bellinger	" 30,	Doane, W. C.
6211	Aaron Baker Clark.....	" 30,	Doane, W. C.
6212	Arthur Bascom Howard	" 30,	Bedell.
6213	James Valentine Chalmers.....	" 30,	Littlejohn.
6214	William T. Holden	" 30,	Littlejohn.
6215	Henry William Raymond Stafford.....	" 30,	Littlejohn.
6216	Frank T. Eastment.....	" 30,	Littlejohn.
6217	James Weasel Smith.....	" 30,	Littlejohn.
6218	John H. Sellers	" 30,	Welles.
6219	Martin Luther Poffenberger.....	" 30,	Paret.
6220	Robert Allan Castleman.....	" 25,	Whittle.
6221	Arthur Barksdale Kinsolving.....	" 25,	Whittle.
6222	Thomas Carter Page.....	" 25,	Whittle.
6223	A. H. Fola Vinton.....	July 4,	Ferguson.
6224	Albert Alexander Morrison	" 8,	Vail.
6225	William P. Burke	" 9,	Whittle.
6226	Walter Lewis Burwell	" 9,	Whittle.
6227	George E. Howell.....	" 9,	Whittle.
6228	Alexander Culbertson Henseley.....	" 11,	Dudley.
6229	Perry Gordon	" 12,	Wimer, R. H.
6230	Henry Clay Johnson	" 22,	Bedell.
6231	Sidney Robert Spencer Gray.....	" 22,	Paddock, J. A.
6232	William F. Rice	Sept. 8,	Lyman.
6233	James Jones Burd	" 16,	Huntington.
6234	L. M. Meritt Jones	" 17,	Kip.
6235	John Frederick Finlay.....	" 19,	Howe, W. B. W.
6236	Henry D. Robinson.....	" 19,	Kip.
6237	Philip Maxwell Prescott	" 19,	Paret.
6238	James Clifford Sanders	Oct. 1,	Bissell.
6239	William Wilkinson	" 3,	Whipple.
6240	Delbert F. Thompson	" 3,	Whipple.
6241	Lewis Cass Burt	" 3,	Whipple.
6242	Charles L. Arms	Nov. 6,	Perry.
6243	Lloyd Erasmus Johnston.....	" 7,	Seymour.
6244	William Theodore Scheper.....	" 7,	Seymour.
6245	Charles Thomas Wright	" 12,	Quintard.
6246	Charles Wilson Dubois.....	Dec. 5,	Perry.
6247	I. T. Landon Hayes	" 14,	Dudley.
6248	Walter Henri Stone	" 17,	Williams, J.
6249	Lyman Herbert Merrill	" 18,	Seely.
6250	George S. Filderton	" 18,	Stevens.
6251	Edward Sprague Welles.....	" 18,	Welles.
6252	John Norris McEuen.....	" 21,	Tuttle.
6253	George Grant Smith	" 21,	Dudley.
6254	William Jones	" 21,	Spabling.

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6255	John R. Carter	Jan. 2,	Grygg.
6256	George F. Bragg	" 12,	Whittle.
6257	Henry Martin Chatterlain	" 16,	Seymour.
6258	Edward R. Ross	" 18,	Quintard.
6259	Joseph Walker	" 20,	Gilbert.
6260	Charles L. Steele	" 20,	Quintard.
6261	William Stokes	" 22,	Thompson.
6262	Adelward D. Boyd Perry	" 22,	Thompson.
6263	Charles S. Ware	" 22,	Thompson.
6264	Arthur Frederick Sowers.....	" 22,	Thompson.
6265	Robert W. Sargent	Feb. 1,	McLaren.
6266	Thomas F. Day, Jr.....	" 10,	McLaren.
6267	Joseph T. Ziff	" 10,	Doane, W. C.
6268	Henry H. Weiss	" 20,	Kip.
6269	William Robert Turner	" 20,	Howe, M. A. D.
6270	William Pratt	" 20,	Starkey.
6271	William Douglas Pond.....	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
6272	Charles R. Dyer Denham & Livingston	March 6,	Brown.
6273	John Oliver Pettis	" 6,	Brown.

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PRIENT.		BISHOP.	NOTES.	No
June	22, 1887,	Wilmer, R. H.		6137
May	26, 1887,	Lyman		6138
July	17, 1887,	Lyman		6139
Aug.	8, 1887,	Kip		6140
March	13, 1887,	Beckwith		6141
June	5, 1887,	Littlejohn		6142
March	2, 1887,	Brown		6143
"	20, 1887,	Potter, H. C.		6144
Dec.	20, 1887,	Knickerbocker	Died, Jan. 27, 1888, ae. 51	6145
May	19, 1887,	Harris		6146
"	19, 1887,	Harris		6147
June	10, 1887,	Harris		6148
Feb.	26, 1887,	Welles		6149
April	21, 1887,	Bedell		6150
June	1, 1887,	Gilbert		6151
June	12, 1887,	Whipple	Deposed, June 3, 1888, while a Deacon	6152
May	13, 1887,	Gregg		6153
Dec.	16, 1887,	Bedell		6154
May	20, 1887,	Huntington		6155
Feb.	8, 1887,	Wingfield	Emigrated	6156
Dec.	19, 1887,	Peterkin		6157
Feb.	2, 1887,	McLaren		6158
"	2, 1887,	McLaren		6159
June	16, 1887,	Williams, J.	Died, June 3, 1888; ae. 58	6160
Feb.	2, 1887,	McLaren		6161
"	6, 1887,	Neely		6162
May	25, 1887,	Williams, J.		6163
June	8, 1887,	Paddock, B. H.		6164
May	25, 1887,	Williams, J.		6165
"	25, 1887,	Williams, J.		6166
Dec.	18, 1887,	Spalding		6167
"	18, 1887,	Spalding		6168
Dec.	8, 1887,	Perry	Died, Aug. 15, 1882, ae. 82, while a	6169
Sept.	12, 1887,	Spalding	[Deacon.	6170
May	19, 1887,	Scarborough	Died, Aug. 15, 1882, ae. 82, while a	6171
June	11, 1887,	Whitehead	Emigrated, while a Deacon.	6172
Feb.	14, 1887,	Whitaker		6173
Dec.	19, 1887,	Stevens		6174
March	15, 1887,	Whitaker	Deposed, 1882	6175
May	19, 1887,	Clark		6176
Nov.	2, 1887,	Howe, M. A. D.		6177
May	19, 1887,	Clark		6178
June	8, 1887,	Paddock, B. H.		6179
"	8, 1887,	Paddock, B. H.		6180
"	8, 1887,	Paddock, B. H.		6181
"	8, 1887,	Paddock, B. H.		6182
"	8, 1887,	Paddock, B. H.		6183
"	8, 1887,	Paddock, B. H.		6184
"	8, 1887,	Paddock, B. H.		6185
"	8, 1887,	Paddock, B. H.		6186
"	8, 1887,	Paddock, B. H.		6187
"	8, 1887,	Paddock, B. H.		6188
May	4, 1887,	Nichols		6189
"	4, 1887,	Rulison		6190
"	10, 1887,	Stuckey		6191
June	5, 1887,	Potter, H. C.		6192
April	22, 1887,	Bissell		6193
March	29, 1887,	Boone, W. J., Jr.		6194
Feb.	27, 1887,	Potter, H. C.		6195
June	5, 1887,	Potter, H. C.		6196
"	5, 1887,	Potter, H. C.		6197
"	5, 1887,	Paret		6198
"	5, 1887,	Potter, H. C.		6199
"	5, 1887,	Potter, H. C.		6200
Aug.	22, 1887,	Seymour		6201
June	5, 1887,	Potter, H. C.		6202

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6274	George Miltenberger Clickner	March 6,	Paret.
6275	Henry Amos Lamson Peabody	" 9,	Pierce.
6276	Allard Barnwell.....	" 15,	Beckwith.
6277	John Thomas Patey	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
6278	William Henry Chamberlain Lylburn	April 3,	Huntington.
6279	William Hale Bates	" 24,	Weed.
6280	William Dodd	May 4,	Weed.
6281	John S. Beckman	" 4,	Weed.
6282	Arthur Everard Marsh.....	" 8,	Perry.
6283	Antoine George Singser.....	" 8,	Seymour.
6284	William Thomas Picard.....	" 11,	Lyman.
6285	Victor Marshall Law.....	" 18,	Perry.
6286	William Louis Woodruff	" 19,	Howe, M. A. D
6287	George Rogers	" 19,	Howe, M. A. D
6288	Karl Emil Ludwig George Oppen	" 19,	Brown.
6289	Howard M. Dumbell	" 19,	Quintard.
6290	William Cowan Barnes.....	May 22,	Dudley.
6291	Henry Peter Scratchley	" 29,	Perry.
6292	Elmer Ralph Earle.....	" 29,	Huntington.
6293	Frederick Dashiell Buckley.....	June 1,	Williams, J.
6294	Edward Huntington Coley.....	" 1,	Williams, J.
6295	Maurice Ludlow Cowl	" 1,	Williams, J.
6296	Norman Smith Boardman.....	" 1,	Williams, J.
6297	Joseph Melzar Hobbs	" 1,	Williams, J.
6298	Charles Laban Pardee.....	" 1,	Williams, J.
6299	Edgar Lewis Sanford	" 1,	Williams, J.
6300	George Ernest Magill	" 1,	Williams, J.
6301	George G. Middleton.....	" 4,	Adams.
6302	William Alonzo Swann	" 5,	Neely.
6303	Charles H. Schultz	" 5,	Welles.
6304	Edward Carlton Hoskins.....	" 5,	Potter, H. C.
6305	Charles A. Hamilton	" 5,	Potter, H. C.
6306	William Hawkes Pott	" 5,	Potter, H. C.
6307	Andrew Linn Sawyer	" 5,	Potter, H. C.
6308	William Creighton Spencer.....	" 5,	Potter, H. C.
6309	George Hill Bottome	" 5,	Potter, H. C.
6310	James Jamieson.....	" 5,	Potter, H. C.
6311	George Monroe Royce	" 5,	Potter, H. C.
6312	Scott Melville Cooke	" 5,	Potter, H. C.
6313	John S. Moody	" 5,	Potter, H. C.
6314	Charles W. DeLeon Nichols	" 5,	Potter, H. C.
6315	Charles Edward Brugler	" 5,	Tuttle.
6316	John William Higson.....	" 5,	Tuttle.
6317	William Victor Tunnell.....	" 5,	Littlejohn.
6318	John McKinney	" 5,	Littlejohn.
6319	John Francis Nichols.....	" 5,	Littlejohn.
6320	Edward Linthicum Buckey.....	" 5,	Paret.
6321	Alden Welling.....	" 5,	Scarborough.
6322	Henry Hale Sleeper	" 5,	Scarborough.
6323	Arthur Sanford Phelps.....	" 5,	Scarborough.
6324	Alexander Augustus Cairns.....	" 7,	Brown.
6325	William John Clarke Agnew.....	" 7,	Brown.
6326	Richard R. Upjohn	" 7,	Brown.
6327	Beverly M. Jefferson.....	" 9,	Whittle.
6328	Mark R. Nelson.....	" 9,	Whittle.
6329	Lafayette Winfield.....	" 9,	Whittle.
6330	Lawrence B. Ridgeley	" 11,	Whitehead.
6331	William H. Stark	" 11,	Whitehead.
6332	Hubert Montgomery Johnson.....	" 12,	Whipple.
6333	J. Wyne Jones	" 12,	Whipple.
6334	Walter Henry Bamford.....	" 12,	Whipple.
6335	Franklin M. Weddell.....	" 12,	Whipple.
6336	William Henry Wootten	" 12,	Harris.
6337	Joseph Cullen Ayer.....	" 15,	Paddock, B. H.
6338	Thomas Bakes.....	" 15,	Paddock, B. H.
6339	Daniel Rollins.....	" 15,	Paddock, B. H.
6340	Walter Downes Humphrey	" 15,	Paddock, B. H.
6341	Henry John Beagen.....	" 24,	Whittle.
6342	Daniel Powell Cockley.....	" 24,	Whittle.
6343	Alexander Galt.....	" 24,	Whittle.

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Feb. 26, 1888,	Paret.....	Deposed, Feb. 1, 1888; while a Deacon	6274
July 31, 1888,	Nelson.....		6275
Dec. 18, 1887,	Potter, H. C.....		6276
May 26, 1889,	Huntington.....		6277
June 26, 1891,	Weed.....		6278
" 6, 1888,	Weed.....		6279
March 23, 1888,	Weed.....		6280
" 3, 1891,	Worthington.....		6281
May 18, 1888,	Spalding.....		6282
March 14, 1888,	Worthington.....		6283
May 10, 1888,	Howe, M. A. D.....	Deposed, 1891	6284
May 10, 1888,	Howe, M. A. D.....		6285
June 24, 1887,	Brown.....		6286
Dec. 4, 1890,	Quintard.....		6287
April 30, 1892,	Seassums.....		6288
" 13, 1890,	Perry.....		6289
May 27, 1889,	Huntington.....		6290
March 23, 1889,	Williams, J.....		6291
" 23, 1888,	Williams, J.....		6292
May 30, 1888,	Williams, J.....		6293
" 30, 1888,	Gillespie.....		6294
" 27, 1888,	Clark.....		6295
July 7, 1888,	Williams, J.....		6296
June 24, 1888,	Littlejohn.....		6297
" 13, 1888,	Clark.....		6298
Sept. 21, 1887,	Neely.....		6299
" 25, 1887,	Welles.....		6300
May 25, 1888,	Potter, H. C.....		6301
July 11, 1888,	Howe, M. A. D.....		6302
Oct. 6, 1889,	Potter, H. C.....		6303
May 27, 1888,	Potter, H. C.....		6304
Nov. 14, 1888,	Potter, H. C.....		6305
May 27, 1888,	Potter, H. C.....		6306
" 27, 1888,	Worthington.....		6307
Dec. 21, 1890,	Potter, H. C.....	Emigrated, while a Deacon.....	6308
May 25, 1888,	Potter, H. C.....		6309
Dec. 18, 1888,	Potter, H. C.....		6310
March 17, 1889,	Potter, H. C.....		6311
April 22, 1889,	Tuttle.....		6312
Dec. 18, 1888,	Littlejohn.....		6313
May 27, 1888,	Littlejohn.....		6314
" 27, 1888,	Potter, H. C.....		6315
June 17, 1888,	Paret.....		6316
May 29, 1888,	Whitaker.....		6317
May 29, 1888,	Searborough.....		6318
Jan. 1, 1888,	Searborough.....		6319
Feb. 25, 1888,	Brown.....		6320
" 25, 1888,	Brown.....		6321
" 25, 1888,	Brown.....		6322
Oct. 8, 1887,	Whitaker.....	Died, Dec. 27, 1887, while a Deacon...	6323
June 27, 1888,	Gilbert.....	Died, Aug. 13, 1888; at 25; while a	6324
" 27, 1888,	Gilbert.....	[Deacon]	6325
Nov. 6, 1887,	Knickerbocker.....		6326
June 18, 1888,	Hare.....		6327
May 30, 1889,	Worthington.....		6328
Feb. 15, 1890,	Paddock, B. H.....		6329
May 16, 1888,	Paddock, B. H.....		6330
June 10, 1889,	Stiles.....	Deposed, Aug. 24, 1889.	6331
Oct. 1, 1888,	Williams, J.....		6332
June 20, 1889,	Randolph.....		6333
June 20, 1889,	Randolph.....	Deposed, Aug. 7, 1889, while a Deacon.	6334
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No.	NAME	DEACON.	BISHOP.
6344	Edward Heathfield Green	June 24,	Whittle.
6345	Walter Porter Griggs	" 24,	Whittle.
6346	Perry Remsen Nugent	" 24,	Whittle.
6347	George Gordon Smeade	" 24,	Whittle.
6348	Philip W. Mosher	" 26,	Potter, H. C.
6349	Abijah Alexander	" 30,	Walker.
6350	John Ravenscroft Harding	July 3,	Lyman.
6351	Thomas Church Brownell Gable	" 3,	Ferguson.
6352	Louis Llewellyn Williams	" 7,	Wilmer, R. H.
6353	Richard Martin Doherty	" 8,	Harc.
6354	Arthur Howard Noll	" 17,	Galleher.
6355	William G. Woolford	" 17,	Knickerbacker.
6356	Joshua Brown Whaling	Aug. 4,	Pierce.
6357	George L. Crockett	" 14,	Gregg.
6358	George Elliot Benedict	Sept. 23,	Peterkin.
6359	Abner Lord Frazer	" 23,	Peterkin.
6360	Joseph S. Quarles	" 23,	Howe, W. B. W.
6361	Richard Galbraith	" 25,	Gregg.
6362	James G. Glass	" 25,	Howe, W. B. W.
6363	Theodore Du Bose Bratton	" 25,	Howe, W. B. W.
6364	George A. McKillim Dyess	" 29,	Whitehead.
6365	John Walter Thursby	Oct. 23,	Harris.
6366	William Du Hamel	Nov. 6,	Howe, M. A. D.
6367	Lauseng Swan Humphrey	" 8,	Coxe.
6368	Asahel A. Bresee	" 9,	Bedell.
6369	Henry Alfred Stonex	" 13,	Harris.
6370	Preston Barr	" 15,	Paddock, B. H.
6371	George Sayer Pratt	Dec. 4,	Bissell.
6372	Primitivo Abel Rodriguez	" 4,	Dunlop.
6373	Frederick M. Garland	" 11,	Quintard.
6374	Frank Putnam Latz	" 18,	Knickerbacker.
6375	Peter Gray Sears	" 18,	Thompson.
6376	James Mitchell Magruder	" 18,	Thompson.
6377	Robert W. Cochran	" 18,	Littlejohn.
6378	Walter Clayton Chapp	" 18,	Potter, H. C.
6379	Edmund Cooke Bennett	" 18,	Potter, H. C.
6380	Edwin Augustine White	" 18,	Scarborough.
6381	Karl Schwartz	" 20,	Huntington.
6382	John E. Shurtleff	" 21,	Wingfield.
6383	Jared Starr	" 23,	Niles.
6384	W. S. Sampson Moore	" ?	Weed.
6385	J. E. H. Galbraith	" ?	Johnston (?).
6386	Ernest B. De Beaugart	" ?	(?).

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6387	Tsang Fu Seigh	Jan 6,	Boone, W. J., Jr.
6388	I. Ed Tsau	" 6,	Boone, W. J., Jr.
6389	Tsch. Seng Fung	" 6,	Boone, W. J., Jr.
6390	Ming Kuo Hwang	" 6,	Boone, W. J., Jr.
6391	Swan I Waag	" 6,	Boone, W. J., Jr.
6392	Henry John Fuller	" 8,	Huntington.
6393	Charles Albert Capwell	" 22,	McLaren.
6394	Charles Gustavus Herman Lindskog	" 22,	McLaren.
6395	Frederick Maurice Kirkus	Feb. 26,	Paret.
6396	Ernest Lascelles Jenner	" 26,	Welles.
6397	Ralph Thomas Jefferson	" 26,	Welles.
6398	Reuben Bancroft Whipple	" 26,	Welles.
6399	Andrew Harper	" 26,	Welles.
6400	Edward Charles Mortimer Rowden	" 26,	Brown.
6401	John Edward Corzon	" 26,	Brown.
6402	Benjamin Thomas Rusted	March 12,	Welles.
6403	Frank Morris Bayne	" 15,	Pierce.
6404	Richard S. James	" 15,	Pierce.
6405	Peter Augustus Mulling	" 15,	Huntington.
6406	Luke Paul Holmes	April 20,	Thomas.
6407	Robert Means Fuller	May 6,	Johnston.
6408	Charles Ferguson	" 15,	Perry.
6409	Arthur L. Williams	" 16,	Spalding.
6410	Sydney Abdon Potter	" 19,	Worthington.

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June 29, 1880,	Randolph	6344
" 29, 1880,	Randolph	6345
Nov. 3, 1880,	Randolph	6346
June 29, 1880,	Randolph	6347
May 27, 1880,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6349
" 27, 1880,	Walker .....	.....	6349
" 8, 1880,	Lyman .....	.....	6350
March 29, 1881,	Ferguson .....	.....	6351
" 13, 1880,	Lyman .....	.....	6352
June 16, 1880,	Hare .....	.....	6353
" 24, 1880,	Johnston .....	.....	6354
May 27, 1880,	Knickerbacker .....	.....	6355
Sept. 23, 1880,	Pierce .....	.....	6356
May 13, 1880,	Gregg .....	.....	6357
Nov. 12, 1880,	Gillespie .....	.....	6358
Sept. 30, 1880,	Peterkin .....	.....	6359
Sept. 21, 1880,	Johnston .....	.....	6360
" 23, 1880,	Howe, W. B. W. ....	.....	6361
" 23, 1880,	Howe, W. B. W. ....	.....	6362
Oct. 14, 1880,	Whitehead .....	.....	6363
May 30, 1880,	Worthington .....	.....	6364
June 19, 1880,	Adams .....	.....	6365
" 15, 1880,	Coxe .....	.....	6366
Dec. 7, 1880,	Whitehead .....	.....	6367
Sept. 20, 1881,	Davies .....	.....	6368
Oct. 20, 1880,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6369
Dec. 16, 1880,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6370
May 12, 1880,	Quintard .....	.....	6371
April 28, 1880,	Niles .....	.....	6372
Jan. 12, 1880,	Vincent .....	.....	6373
Dec. 21, 1880,	Thompson .....	.....	6374
" 18, 1880,	Thompson .....	.....	6375
June 16, 1880,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6376
Nov. 8, 1880,	Paret	Deposed, 1894	6377
Dec. 16, 1880,	Potter, H. C.	6378
Oct. 31, 1880,	Scarborough	6379
May 30, 1880,	Huntington	6380
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July 11, 1880,	Weed	6384
Sept. 21, 1880,	Johnston	6385
Oct. 10, 1880,	Grafton	6386

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April 1, 1880,	McLaren	6394
June 7, 1881,	Paret	6395
March 31, 1880,	Knight	6396
" 17, 1880,	Burgess, A.	6397
June 16, 1880,	Burgess, A. ....	.....	6398
Sept. 20, 1892,	Gilbert .....	.....	6399
" 23, 1880,	Pierre	Died, Feb. 13, 1882	6400
Feb. 13, 1880,	Pierre .....	.....	6401
.....	.....	.....	6402
April 15, 1880,	Pierce	Deposed, Feb. 13, 1880	6403
" 15, 1880,	Pierce .....	.....	6404
.....	.....	.....	6405
Dec. 19, 1880,	Knight .....	.....	6406
.....	.....	Died, April 9, 1892; while a Deacon...	6407
Jan. 1, 1880,	Perry	6408
June 5, 1880,	Spalding	6409
July 13, 1880,	Worthington	6410

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6411	George M. Irish	May 20,	Donne, W. C.
6412	Robert E. Campbell	" 20,	Huntington.
6413	John Byron Olman	" 23,	Clark.
6414	John Gottfried Hammarskoeld	" 23,	Clark.
6415	Henry B. Gorgas	" 26,	Whitaker.
6416	Frederick James Keech	" 27,	Wells.
6417	Charles Martin Niles	" 27,	Littlejohn.
6418	William Stanley Barrows	" 27,	Littlejohn.
6419	George Henry Young	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
6420	Charles Calvin Proffit	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
6421	George Brenner	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
6422	Yusuf Michael Neesan	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
6423	Libertus Morris Van Bokkelen	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
6424	Henry Tallock	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
6425	Henry Melsner	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
6426	Hilbert Henry Roche	" 27,	Scarborough.
6427	Edmund Hanks Smith	" 27,	Scarborough.
6428	John Craby Lord	" 27,	Starkey.
6429	William Emmott Malson	" 26,	Whitaker.
6430	George Weed Barhydt	" 30,	Williams, J.
6431	Samuel Smith Mitchell	" 30,	Williams, J.
6432	Carroll Lund Bates	" 30,	Williams, J.
6433	Frederick Danforth Lobdell	" 30,	Williams, J.
6434	Herbert Lincoln Mitchell	" 30,	Williams, J.
6435	Henry Dows Stebbins	" 30,	Williams, J.
6436	George Thomas Linsley	" 30,	Williams, J.
6437	William Clarence Richardson	" 30,	Williams, J.
6438	Samuel Forbes Adam	" 30,	Williams, J.
6439	C. Otto Arnold	" 30,	Williams, J.
6440	William Meric Grosvenor	" 30,	Williams, J.
6441	Joshua Hollister Lynell	" 30,	Huntington.
6442	Charles Marcus Kimball	" 30,	Huntington.
6443	Charles A. Klenzie	June 3,	Spalding.
6444	Pedro Serraz Mesny	" 8,	Whitehead.
6445	Samson Dimbleck	" 9,	Whitehead.
6446	William Francis Mays	" 10,	Burgess, A.
6447	James Alexander McCleary	" 10,	Harris.
6448	Edward Collins	" 10,	Harris.
6449	Wellington McVettie	" 10,	Gilbert.
6450	Alexander J. D. Kuehn	" 10,	Gilbert.
6451	Edwin Johnson	" 17,	Gilbert.
6452	William Francis Ayer	" 17,	Whitaker.
6453	Horace Frederick Fuller	" 17,	Whitaker.
6454	Charles Stratton Lyons	" 17,	Whitaker.
6455	William Pusey Paluter	" 17,	Howe, M. A. D.
6456	S. Lorl Gilbertson	" 17,	Whitaker.
6457	Edward Ernest Atkinson	" 20,	Paddock, B. H.
6458	Charles Edward Osgood Nichols	" 20,	Paddock, B. H.
6459	William Tufts Crocker	" 20,	Paddock, B. H.
6460	Charles Hall Perry	" 20,	Paddock, B. H.
6461	Archibald Codman	" 20,	Paddock, B. H.
6462	Waters De Wees Roberts	" 20,	Paddock, B. H.
6463	Benjamin Franklin Lewis	" 20,	Randolph.
6464	Basil Benjamin Tyler	" 20,	Randolph.
6465	Douglas Irvine Holdes	" 20,	Dulley.
6466	John Cary Amoler	" 20,	Randolph.
6467	Charles Gauss	" 20,	Randolph.
6468	John Poynter Tyler	" 20,	Randolph.
6469	William W. Mix	July 1,	Thomas.
6470	George Clark Cox	" 3,	Pennick.
6471	Francis Marion Tower	" 11,	Worthington.
6472	Frederick Nash Skinner	" 15,	Howe W. B. W.
6473	Winborn Lawton McBehanpe	" 15,	Howe, W. B. W.
6474	Lawson Harvey Scell	Aug 12,	Wilmer, R. H.
6475	John Conway Johnson	" 12,	Wilmer, R. H.
6476	Walter Claiborne Whitaker	" 12,	Wilmer, R. H.
6477	Jefferson Randolph Taylor	" 19,	Peterkin.
6478	William Augustus Brewer	" 21,	Kip.
6479	James A. Duncan	" 28,	Gregg.
6480	Edwin Stover Hoffman	" 28,	Peterkin.

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June 29, 1889,	Randolph	6344
" 29, 1889,	Randolph	6345
Nov. 5, 1889,	Randolph	6346
June 29, 1889,	Randolph	6347
May 27, 1888,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6348
" 27, 1890,	Walker .....	.....	6349
" 6, 1894,	Lyman .....	.....	6350
March 20, 1891,	Ferguson .....	.....	6351
" 13, 1890,	Lyman .....	.....	6352
June 16, 1888,	Hare .....	.....	6353
" 24, 1888,	Johnston .....	.....	6354
May 27, 1888,	Knikkerbocker .....	.....	6355
Sept. 23, 1889,	Pierce .....	.....	6356
May 13, 1888,	Gregg .....	.....	6357
Nov. 12, 1888,	Gillespie .....	.....	6358
Sept. 30, 1888,	Peterkin .....	.....	6359
Sept. 21, 1888,	Johnston .....	.....	6360
" 23, 1888,	Howe, W. B. W. ....	.....	6361
" 23, 1888,	Howe, W. B. W. ....	.....	6362
Oct. 14, 1888,	Whitehead .....	.....	6363
May 30, 1889,	Worthington .....	.....	6364
June 19, 1889,	Adams .....	.....	6365
" 15, 1889,	Coxe .....	.....	6366
Dec. 7, 1888,	Whitehead .....	.....	6367
Sept. 20, 1891,	Davies .....	.....	6368
Nov. 30, 1888,	Donne, W. C. ....	.....	6369
Dec. 16, 1888,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6370
May 12, 1889,	Quinnard .....	.....	6371
April 24, 1888,	Niles .....	.....	6372
Jan. 12, 1893,	Vincent .....	.....	6373
Dec. 21, 1890,	Thompson .....	.....	6374
" 18, 1892,	Thompson .....	.....	6375
June 16, 1890,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6376
Nov. 8, 1888,	Paret	Deposed, 1894	6377
Dec. 16, 1888,	Potter, H. C.	6378
Oct. 31, 1889,	Scarborough	6379
May 20, 1889,	Huntington	6380
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July 11, 1888,	Weed	6385
Sept. 21, 1888,	Johnston	6386
Oct. 10, 1889,	Grafton	6387

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April 1, 1888,	McLaren	6395
June 7, 1891,	Paret	6396
March 31, 1889,	Knight	6397
" 17, 1889,	Burgess, A.	6398
June 16, 1889,	Burgess, A. ....	.....	6399
Sept. 30, 1892,	Gilbert .....	.....	6400
" 23, 1890,	Pierce	Died, Feb. 13, 1892	6401
Feb. 11, 1889,	Pierce .....	.....	6402
.....	.....	.....	6403
April 15, 1888,	Pierce	Deposed, Feb. 13, 1889	6404
" 15, 1888,	Pierce .....	.....	6405
.....	.....	.....	6406
Dec. 19, 1889,	Knight .....	.....	6407
.....	.....	Died, April 9, 1892; while a Deacon	6408
Jan. 1, 1889,	Perry	6409
June 5, 1889,	Spalding	6410
July 12, 1889,	Worthington	6411

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No.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
6481	Roger Hanson Peters .. .	Sept. 11,	Dudley.
6482	Henry H. Morrill .. .	" 19,	Thomas.
6483	William Alexander Guerry .. .	" 23,	Howe, M. A. D.
6484	Charles Lowell Cooder .. .	" 23,	Rullson.
6485	George A. Zellers .. .	" 23,	Rullson.
6486	Herbert G. Coddington .. .	" 27,	Huntington.
6487	William Saul .. .	Oct. 3,	Hare.
6488	Walter C. Stewart .. .	" 7,	Doane, W. C.
6489	John R. Wightman .. .	" 14,	Whitehead.
6490	Frank Elmer Edwards .. .	" 20,	Dudley.
6491	Frank J. Mallett .. .	" 21,	Knickerbacker.
6492	James Avery Skinner .. .	" 26,	Coxe
6493	Tiddinghast King Collins Rively .. .	" 27,	Quintard.
6494	Thomas Alexander Johnstone .. .	Nov. 3,	Williams, J.
6495	Lewis Beeman Brown .. .	" 8,	Paret.
6496	John Lester Morton .. .	" 9,	Talbot, E.
6497	Otway Colvin .. .	" 11,	Knickerbacker.
6498	John Sloan .. .	" 11,	Gregg.
6499	George Paypay .. .	" 13,	Hare.
6500	Sanderson Henry Stefano Iderton .. .	" 29,	Kip.
6501	Thomas Barry .. .	" 25,	Wilmer, R. H.
6502	Eben Dorr Moreno .. .	" 27,	Quintard.
6503	William Hugh McGee .. .	" 30,	Dudley.
6504	Stuart Ballastine Purves .. .	Dec. 12,	Gilbert.
6505	William Knight McGowan .. .	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6506	Edmund Atwill Wasson .. .	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6507	William Walton Rutherford .. .	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6508	George Garbett Ware .. .	" 20,	Hare.
6509	E. N. Hollings .. .	" 21,	Howe, W. B. W.
6510	Frederick Golden Ralney .. .	" 21,	Doane, W. C.
6511	Samuel C. Edsall .. .	" 23,	McLaren.
6512	William Hall .. .	" 26,	Starkey.
6513	Jabez Henry Dixon .. .	" 29,	Paret.
6514	Thomas Robinson Revl .. .	" *	
6515	B. W. R. Tayler .. .	" *	
6516	Edward Dodd Tining .. .	" †	

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6517	H. Digby Johnstone .. .	Jan. 1,	Spalding.
6518	William Joan Hawthorne .. .	" 3,	Seymour.
6519	William Russell Cuddeker .. .	" 4,	Niles.
6520	George Esdras Allen .. .	" 17,	Brewer.
6521	Emmanuel Phares .. .	" 20,	Quintard.
6522	Oswald P. Fitzsimmons .. .	" 30,	Beckwith.
6523	Isaac Dawson .. .	Feb. 3,	Talbot, E.
6524	William St. John Cricketer .. .	" 4,	Gilbert.
6525	Robert W. Pearson .. .	" 15,	Kerrick.
6526	Cyrus Townsend Brady .. .	" 24,	Worthington.
6527	Benjamin Sumner McKenzie .. .	" 26,	Lyman.
6528	George H. Rice .. .	" 28,	Johnston.
6529	James J. Hamilton Reedy .. .	March 3,	Perry.
6530	Johnson Hubbell .. .	" 10,	Whitaker.
6531	Henry McCurt .. .	" 12,	Kip.
6532	Percy Thomas Fenn .. .	" 17,	Potter, H. C.
6533	John Alfred Holly .. .	" 17,	Williams, J.
6534	Edward Frazer Hefenstein .. .	" 19,	Paret.
6535	Thomas Dennis .. .	" 23,	Coxe
6536	T. Cory Thomas .. .	" 28,	Knight.
6537	John Binsley Garland .. .	April 5,	Hare
6538	James Henry Chad .. .	" 16,	Seymour.
6539	Walter W. Wells .. .	" 18,	Worthington.
6540	John Halght .. .	" 22,	Vincent
6541	Edith Evan Edwards .. .	May 12,	Whipple.
6542	William H. Cavanaugh .. .	" 19,	Dudley.
6543	John A. Carr .. .	" 21,	McLaren.
6544	Oscar Stewart Michael .. .	" 26,	Whitaker.

* Made a Deacon in Canada.

† Made a Deacon in England.

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PRIEST.	BISHOP.	NOTES.	No.
March 19, 1889,	Donne, W. C.	6411
June 23, 1889,	Huntington	6412
.....	.....	.....	6413
March 21, 1890,	Clark .....	.....	6414
June 16, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6415
Jan. 23, 1890,	McLaren .....	.....	6416
June 16, 1890,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6417
" 16, 1890,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6418
" 16, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6419
" 16, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6420
March 17, 1890,	Potter, H. C.	Died, March 13, 1891; ae. 44.....	6421
Nov. 4, 1888,	Potter, H. C.	Emigrated	6422
June 16, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6423
" 16, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6424
Dec. 16, 1888,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6425
June 13, 1890,	Searborough .....	.....	6426
" 13, 1890,	Searborough .....	.....	6427
" 16, 1890,	Starkey .....	.....	6428
March 16, 1890,	Whitaker .....	.....	6429
May 1, 1890,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6430
" 31, 1890,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6431
June 7, 1890,	Whitehead .....	.....	6432
May 31, 1890,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6433
Oct. 30, 1890,	Niles .....	.....	6434
May 29, 1890,	Huntington .....	.....	6435
" 31, 1890,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6436
March 9, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6437
June 4, 1891,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6438
Dec. 23, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6439
June 10, 1890,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6440
May 20, 1890,	Huntington .....	.....	6441
March 27, 1890,	Whitehead .....	.....	6442
June 16, 1890,	Wingfield .....	.....	6443
" 25, 1890,	Whitehead .....	.....	6444
July 6, 1890,	Whitehead .....	.....	6445
June 16, 1890,	Burgess, A. ....	.....	6446
Sept. 20, 1890,	Coxe .....	.....	6447
Dec. 6, 1891,	Davies .....	.....	6448
June 30, 1890,	Gilbert .....	.....	6449
" 30, 1890,	Gilbert .....	.....	6450
May 20, 1890,	Whipple .....	.....	6451
June 15, 1890,	Whitaker .....	.....	6452
May 30, 1890,	Whitaker .....	.....	6453
June 15, 1890,	Whitaker .....	.....	6454
Dec. 21, 1890,	Howe, M. A. D. ....	.....	6455
Aug. 4, 1890,	Leonard, A. ....	.....	6456
June 6, 1890,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	6457
Dec. 20, 1890,	Niles .....	.....	6458
Feb. 26, 1892,	Brooks .....	.....	6459
June 5, 1890,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	6460
" 5, 1890,	Paddock, B. H.	Died, May 4, 1891; ae. 29.....	6461
" 5, 1890,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	6462
.....	.....	Deposed, June 6, 1893; while a Deacon	6463
.....	.....	.....	6464
Nov. 24, 1889,	Dudley .....	.....	6465
June 28, 1890,	Randolph .....	.....	6466
" 28, 1890,	Randolph .....	.....	6467
" 28, 1890,	Randolph .....	.....	6468
June 5, 1890,	Vincent .....	.....	6469
" 1, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6470
Feb. 6, 1890,	Potter, H. C.	Died, June 19, 1890, ae. 65.....	6471
Jan. 24, 1890,	Watson .....	.....	6472
Dec. 15, 1890,	Lyman .....	.....	6473
" 21, 1890,	Thompson .....	.....	6474
" 12, 1891,	Jackson .....	.....	6475
Feb. 1, 1891,	Wilmer, R. H. ....	.....	6476
Sept. 16, 1890,	Peterkin .....	.....	6477
Dec. 30, 1891,	Nichols	6478
May 19, 1890,	Gregg	6479
Nov. 23, 1890,	Whitehead	6480

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6545	Arthur Cleveland Clarke.....	May 28,	Huntington.
6546	William Theodore Tierkel.....	" 28,	Huntington.
6547	Charles Donohue	" 31,	Huntington.
6548	Edward L. Ogilby.....	June 2,	Whitehead.
6549	George Almon Aleout.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6550	Cornelius Gardiner Bristol.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6551	Benjamin Joseph Davis.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6552	Edward Miller Jefferys.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6553	Alsop Lemingwell.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6554	Charles Newton Morris.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6555	Hermann Lichtenhal.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6556	Lloyd Morton Blodgett.....	" 5,	Clark.
6557	Andrew Mead Burgess.....	" 6,	Huntington.
6558	Frank Evans Badger.....	" 6,	Huntington.
6559	Henry Beard Delaney.....	" 7,	Lyman.
6560	Edmund Kershaw.....	" 11,	Starkey.
6561	William Patterson Taylor.....	" 14,	Howe, M. A. D —
6562	George A. Hunt.....	" 14,	Howe, M. A. D —
6563	D. Stuart Hamilton.....	" 14,	Howe, M. A. D —
6564	George M. Dorwart.....	" 14,	Howe, M. A. D —
6565	Charles Homer Boynton.....	" 15,	Coxe
6566	William Lloyd Bevan.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6567	Horatio Nelson Tragitt.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6568	Richard Beverley Arden.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6569	William Montgomery Downey.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6570	John Alvey Mills.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6571	Jules Ernest David.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6572	William George Iyle.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6573	Milo Hudson Gates.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6574	Edward Smith Middleton.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6575	Charles Frederick Beattie.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6576	Richard Cobden.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6577	William Henry Bown.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6578	James Clarence Jones.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6579	William Greenough Thayer.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6580	John Churcex Linsley.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6581	Arthur Rogers.....	" 16,	Clark
6582	Frederick W. Davis.....	" 16,	Clark
6583	Edward Henry Eckel.....	" 16,	Coleman.
6584	Walter H. B. Allen.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6585	Robert F. Inmond Pettibon.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6586	John William Tell.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6587	Charles Stanley Brown.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6588	James Noble.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6589	William W. Che.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6590	Winfield Scott Baer.....	" 16,	Whitaker.
6591	Newton Black.....	" 16,	Whitaker.
6592	Robert Morris Kemp.....	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
6593	Lawson Carter Rich.....	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
6594	Elmer P. Bney Miller.....	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
6595	Meredith Ogden Smith.....	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
6596	Benjamin Tabor Rogers.....	" 16,	Grafton.
6597	George Burzelle.....	" 16,	Talbot, E.
6598	David L. Evans.....	" 17,	Potter, H. C.
6599	George Hinson.....	" 18,	Johnston.
6600	Arthur Wilson Higby.....	" 19,	Perry.
6601	Edward Staples Brown.....	" 20,	Paddock, B. H.
6602	George Barker Stone.....	" 23,	Bissell.
6603	E. Ward Sawyer Stone.....	" 23,	Bissell.
6604	Charles Otis Scoville.....	" 23,	Bissell.
6605	James De Quincy Doneboe.....	" 23,	Whitehead.
6606	Richard Austin Redrick.....	" 23,	Peterkin.
6607	Luther Wesley Doggett.....	" 23,	Whittle.
6608	John Thomas Foster.....	" 23,	Whittle.
6609	Robert Carter Jett.....	" 23,	Whittle.
6610	Frank Pinckney Clark.....	" 23,	Whittle.
6611	Stephen Osborne Southall.....	" 23,	Whittle.
6612	Charles Edward Woodson.....	" 23,	Whittle.
6613	Lucien Lee Kinsolving.....	" 23,	Whittle.
6614	James Watson Morriss.....	" 23,	Whittle.

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re 4, 1890,	Huntington	6545
6, 1890,	Huntington	6546
18, 1891,	Huntington	6547
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re 4, 1890,	Williams, J.	6549
4, 1890,	Williams, J.	6550
4, 1890,	Williams, J.	6551
4, 1890,	Williams, J.	6552
y 22, 1890,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	6553
re 4, 1890,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6554
ril 2, 1890,	Clark .....	.....	6555
re 1, 1890,	Clark .....	.....	6556
6, 1890,	Huntington .....	.....	6557
6, 1890,	Huntington .....	.....	6558
y 2, 1892,	Lyman .....	.....	6559
re 1, 1890,	Starkey .....	.....	6560
ril 14, 1890,	Rulison .....	.....	6561
rch 13, 1890,	Whitaker .....	.....	6562
ril 27, 1890,	Rulison .....	.....	6563
.....	.....	.....	6564
re 1, 1890,	Coxe .....	.....	6565
20, 1891,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6566
e 1, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6567
.....	.....	.....	6568
24, 1890,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6569
e 1, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6570
19, 1891,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6571
e 1, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6572
1, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6573
1, 1890,	Potter, H. C.	Deposed, Nov. 27, 1890.....	6574
15, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6575
21, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6576
e 1, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6577
24, 1890,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6578
29, 1890,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	6579
7, 1890,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6580
e 15, 1890,	Clark .....	.....	6581
20, 1890,	Scarborough .....	.....	6582
24, 1890,	Coleman .....	.....	6583
22, 1890,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6584
e 1, 1890,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6585
24, 1891,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6586
24, 1891,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6587
.....	.....	.....	6588
22, 1890,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6589
e 1, 1890,	Whitaker .....	.....	6590
1, 1890,	Whitaker .....	.....	6591
7, 1890,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6592
9, 1892,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6593
21, 1890,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6594
18, 1891,	Quintard	Emigrated.....	6595
19, 1890,	Grafton .....	.....	6596
6, 1891,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	6597
e 1, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6598
1, 1890,	Johnston .....	.....	6599
ch 6, 1892,	Thomas .....	.....	6600
e 20, 1890,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	6601
ch 5, 1890,	Neely .....	.....	6602
5, 1890,	Neely .....	.....	6603
y 8, 1890,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6604
23, 1890,	Whitehead .....	.....	6605
t 11, 1890,	Peterkin .....	.....	6606
re 27, 1890,	Randolph .....	.....	6607
27, 1890,	Randolph .....	.....	6608
27, 1890,	Randolph .....	.....	6609
11, 1891,	Whittle .....	.....	6610
re 27, 1890,	Randolph	6611
27, 1890,	Randolph	6612
g. 4, 1890,	Whittle	6613
4, 1890,	Whittle	6614

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6545	Arthur Cleveland Clarke.....	May 28,	Huntington.
6546	William Theodore Tierkel.....	" 28,	Huntington.
6547	Charles Donohue.....	" 31,	Huntington.
6548	Edward L. Ogilby.....	June 2,	Whitehead.
6549	George Almon Alcott.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6550	Cornellus Gardiner Bristol.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6551	Benjamin Joseph Davis.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6552	Edward Miller Jefferys.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6553	Alsop Lefflugwell.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6554	Charles Newton Morris.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6555	Hermann Lilienthal.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
6556	Lloyd Morton Blodgett.....	" 5,	Clark.
6557	Andrew Mead Burgess.....	" 6,	Huntington.
6558	Frank Evans Badger.....	" 6,	Huntington.
6559	Henry Beard Delaney.....	" 7,	Lyman.
6560	Edmund Kershaw.....	" 11,	Starkey.
6561	William Patterson Taylor.....	" 14,	Howe, M. A. D.
6562	George A. Hunt.....	" 14,	Howe, M. A. D.
6563	D. Stuart Hamilton.....	" 14,	Howe, M. A. D.
6564	George M. Dorwart.....	" 14,	Howe, M. A. D.
6565	Charles Homer Boynton.....	" 15,	Coxe.
6566	William Lloyd Boyan.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6567	Horatio Nelson Tragitt.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6568	Richard Beverley Arden.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6569	William Montgomery Downey.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6570	John Alvey Mills.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6571	Jules Ernest David.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6572	William George Lyie.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6573	Milo Hudson Gates.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6574	Edward Smith Middleton.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6575	Charles Frederick Beattie.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6576	Richard Cobden.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6577	William Henry Down.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6578	James Clarence Jones.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6579	William Greenough Thayer.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6580	John Chauncey Linsley.....	" 16,	Potter, H. C.
6581	Arthur Rogers.....	" 16,	Clark.
6582	Frederick W. Davis.....	" 16,	Clark.
6583	Edward Henry Eckel.....	" 16,	Coleman.
6584	Walter H. B. Allen.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6585	Robert Edmund Pendleton.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6586	John William Gell.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6587	Charles Stanley Brown.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6588	James Noble.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6589	William Wyber.....	" 16,	Littlejohn.
6590	Winfield Scott Baer.....	" 16,	Whitaker.
6591	Newton Black.....	" 16,	Whitaker.
6592	Robert Morris Kemp.....	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
6593	Lawson Carter Rich.....	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
6594	Elmer Pinney Miller.....	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
6595	Meredith Ogden Smith.....	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
6596	Benjamin Talbot Rogers.....	" 16,	Grafton.
6597	George Buzzelle.....	" 16,	Talbot, E.
6598	David J. Evans.....	" 17,	Potter, H. C.
6599	George Hanson.....	" 18,	Johnston.
6600	Arthur Wilson High.....	" 19,	Perry.
6601	Edward Staples Brown.....	" 20,	Paddock, B. H.
6602	George Barker Stone.....	" 23,	Bissell.
6603	Edward Sawyer Stone.....	" 23,	Bissell.
6604	Charles Ous Seovile.....	" 23,	Bissell.
6605	James De Quincy Donohoe.....	" 25,	Whitehead.
6606	Richard Austin Redrick.....	" 28,	Peterkin.
6607	Luther Wesley Doggett.....	" 28,	Whittle.
6608	John Thomas Foster.....	" 28,	Whittle.
6609	Robert Carter Jett.....	" 28,	Whittle.
6610	Frank Pinckney Clark.....	" 28,	Whittle.
6611	Stephen Osborne Southall.....	" 28,	Whittle.
6612	Charles Edward Wadson.....	" 28,	Whittle.
6613	Lucien Lee Kinsolving.....	" 28,	Whittle.
6614	James Watson Morris.....	" 28,	Whittle.

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L 3, 1890,	Neely	6615
e 8, 1890,	Whipple	6616
8, 1890,	Whipple	6617
5, 1890,	Gilbert	6618
8, 1890,	Whipple .....	.....	6619
8, 1890,	Whipple .....	.....	6620
8, 1890,	Whipple .....	.....	6621
.....	.....	.....	6622
.....	.....	.....	6623
13, 1890,	Quintard .....	.....	6624
19, 1890,	Spalding .....	.....	6625
23, 1895,	Gilbert .....	.....	6626
22, 1890,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	6627
19, 1890,	Coxe .....	.....	6628
21, 1889,	Worthington .....	.....	6629
ch 18, 1891,	Lyman .....	.....	6630
4, 1891,	Thomas .....	.....	6631
ll 30, 1890,	Knickerbacker .....	.....	6632
1, 1890,	McLaren .....	.....	6633
5, 1890,	Gregg .....	.....	6634
.....	.....	Deposed, Dec. 28, 1894; while a Deacon.	6635
28, 1890,	Clark .....	.....	6636
21, 1891,	Coxe .....	.....	6637
10, 1890,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	6638
28, 1889,	Herzog * .....	.....	6639
18, 1890,	Johnston .....	.....	6640
3, 1889,	Johnston .....	.....	6641
ll 3, 1890,	Tuttle .....	.....	6642
.....	.....	Emigrated, while a Deacon.	6643
18, 1892,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6644
12, 1891,	Nichols .....	.....	6645
.....	.....	Died, 1889; while a Deacon.	6646
29, 1891,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	6647
ll 20, 1891,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6648
1, 1890,	McLaren .....	.....	6649
30, 1890,	Worthington .....	.....	6650
17, 1890,	Paret .....	.....	6651
25, 1894,	Thomas .....	.....	6652
29, 1893,	Littlejohn .....	.....	6653
22, 1891,	Coxe .....	.....	6654
.....	.....	.....	6655
20, 1894,	Whittle .....	.....	6656
e 20, 1891,	Vincent .....	.....	6657
21, 1891,	Vincent	6658
.....	6659
22, 1891,	Walker	6660
e 16, 1889,	Wingfield	6661
ch 1, 1890,	Spalding	6662

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4, 1891,	Gillespie	6663
18, 1891,	Whitaker	6664
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e 16, 1891,	Clark	Died, May 20, 1891; ae. 30; while a Dea-	6666
.....	6667
21, 1890,	Rulison	6668
ch 25, 1892,	Perry .....	.....	6669
e 19, 1892,	Coleman .....	.....	6670
.....	.....	.....	6671
.....	.....	.....	6672
10, 1891,	Weed .....	.....	6673
15, 1891,	Huntington .....	.....	6674
.....	6675
.....	6676
ll 7, 1891,	Leonard, W. A.	Died, May 13, 1894; ae. 27.	6677
ch 19, 1891,	Tuttle	6678

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NO.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
6679	William Montgomery Jackson	March 23,	Dudley.
6680	John McClurkin	" 27,	Seymour.
6681	Charles E. Preston	" 30,	Clark.
6682	Howard Morse	" 31,	Leonard, W. A.
6683	Daniel L. V. Moffett	April 3,	Tuttle.
6684	Christopher Y. M. Harrower	" 8,	Knight.
6685	Joseph Francis John	" 20,	Wilmer, R. H.
6686	John M. B. Sill	" 20,	Davies.
6687	Axel Zakarias Fryxell	" 24,	Clark.
6688	Perry Walter Jones	May 7,	Wilmer, R. H.
6689	Francis Joyner	" 15,	Watson.
6690	Arthur Morgan Aucock	" 15,	Clark.
6691	Martin Nicholas Ray	" 21,	Gilbert.
6692	William Guy Wells	" 23,	Rullson.
6693	Harvey Sheafe Fisher	" 25,	Rullson.
6694	Louis Cameron	" 26,	Starkey.
6695	Walter Mayhew Sherwood	" 26,	Starkey.
6696	Elmer Deverance Forbes	" 26,	Starkey.
6697	Clarence Mortimer Conant	" 26,	Starkey.
6698	John David Nusebann	" 28,	Grafton.
6699	Julian Elroy Ramsdell	" 29,	Huntington.
6700	William Gordon Bentley	" 29,	Huntington.
6701	William DeLancey Benton	" 29,	Huntington.
6702	Charles David Atwell	" 29,	Huntington.
6703	Benjamin T. Trego	" 30,	Knight.
6704	Arthur Lumsden Mitchell	" 30,	Knight.
6705	Charles E. Snively	" 30,	Whitehead.
6706	Ting tsong Lio	" 31,	Boone, W. J., -
6707	John Henry Parsons	June 1,	McLaren.
6708	James Allan Montgomery	" 1,	Whitaker.
6709	Jules Louis Prevost	" 1,	Whitaker.
6710	John Henry Simons	" 1,	Whitaker.
6711	Charles Albert Hensel	" 1,	Whitaker.
6712	John Henry Hopkins	" 1,	Bissell.
6713	George Alcylus Watkins	" 1,	Bissell.
6714	Janus Moore Homer	" 1,	Lyman.
6715	Charles Ferdinand Drake	" 1,	Lyman.
6716	Charles Henry Duncan	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6717	Octavius Applegate, Jr.	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6718	Leighton Hoskins	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6719	George Downing Sparks	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6720	Walter Biddle Lowry	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6721	Alden Lewis Bennett	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6722	Irving Spencer	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6723	Abraham Yohannan	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6724	Richard Mitchell Sherman	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6725	John Calvin Gulland	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6726	William Wynn Love	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6727	John Eckhardt Salger	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6728	Charles E. Frank Denel	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
6729	William John Wickliffe Bedford Jones	" 1,	Cox.
6730	William Watock Blatchford	" 1,	Seymour.
6731	Alfred H. Wheeler	" 1,	Bissell.
6732	John George Kweng	" 1,	Littlejohn.
6733	Howard Stuy	" 1,	Scarborough.
6734	John Warnock	" 1,	Scarborough.
6735	Stewart P. Krieling	" 1,	Rullson.
6736	William Dorwart	" 1,	Rullson.
6737	William Agur Beardsley	" 4,	Williams, J.
6738	Francis Banks Whitcome	" 4,	Williams, J.
6739	George Calvert Carter	" 4,	Williams, J.
6740	Paul Herbert Beddall	" 4,	Williams, J.
6741	James Goodwin	" 4,	Williams, J.
6742	Lucius Wilson Shey	" 4,	Williams, J.
6743	Frank Haley Parafree	" 4,	Williams, J.
6744	Asa Sprague Ashley	" 4,	Williams, J.
6745	William Henry Pearson	" 4,	Williams, J.
6746	Isaac Houlgate	" 6,	Worthington.
6747	John Edward H. W. Simpson	" 6,	Worthington.
6748	Joseph E. Henry Leeds	" 6,	Worthington.

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PRIEST.	BISHOP.	NOTES.	No.
Sept. 3, 1890,	Neely	8615
June 8, 1890,	Whipple	8616
" 8, 1890,	Whipple	8617
" 8, 1890,	Gilbert .....	.....	8618
" 8, 1890,	Whipple .....	.....	8619
" 8, 1890,	Whipple .....	.....	8620
" 8, 1890,	Whipple .....	.....	8621
.....	.....	.....	8622
.....	.....	.....	8623
July 12, 1890,	Quintard .....	.....	8624
Sept. 19, 1890,	Spaulding .....	.....	8625
June 23, 1895,	Gilbert .....	.....	8626
May 22, 1890,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	8627
June 19, 1890,	Coxe .....	.....	8628
Dec. 21, 1899,	Worthington .....	.....	8629
March 18, 1891,	Lyman .....	.....	8630
Oct. 4, 1891,	Thomas .....	.....	8631
April 30, 1890,	Kniekerbacker .....	.....	8632
June 1, 1890,	McLaren .....	.....	8633
Oct. 5, 1890,	Gregg .....	.....	8634
.....	.....	Deposed, Dec. 26, 1894; while a Deacon.	8635
Sept. 28, 1890,	Clark .....	.....	8636
Dec. 21, 1891,	Coxe .....	.....	8637
Oct. 10, 1890,	Paddock, B. H. ....	.....	8638
" 28, 1890,	Horzog .....	.....	8639
May 18, 1890,	Johnston .....	.....	8640
Nov. 3, 1899,	Johnston .....	.....	8641
April 3, 1890,	Tuttle .....	.....	8642
.....	.....	Emigrated, while a Deacon.	8643
Dec. 18, 1892,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	8644
" 12, 1891,	Nichols .....	.....	8645
.....	.....	Died, 1899; while a Deacon.	8646
Jan. 29, 1891,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	8647
April 20, 1891,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	8648
June 1, 1890,	McLaren .....	.....	8649
May 30, 1890,	Worthington .....	.....	8650
Aug. 17, 1890,	Paret .....	.....	8651
Jan. 25, 1894,	Thomas .....	.....	8652
May 29, 1893,	Littlejohn .....	.....	8653
Feb. 22, 1891,	Coxe .....	.....	8654
.....	.....	.....	8655
.....	.....	.....	8656
May 20, 1894,	Whittle .....	.....	8657
June 20, 1891,	Vincent .....	.....	8658
Dec. 21, 1891,	Vincent .....	.....	8659
.....	.....	.....	8660
Sept. 22, 1891,	Walker	8661
June 16, 1890,	Wingfield	8662
March 1, 1890,	Spaulding	8663

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Feb. 4, 1891,	Gillespie	8664
" 12, 1891,	Whitaker	8665
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June 16, 1891,	Clark	Died, May 20, 1891; ac. 30, while a Dea.	8667
.....	8668
Dec. 21, 1890,	Rullson	8669
March 23, 1892,	Perry .....	.....	8670
June 19, 1892,	Coleman .....	.....	8671
.....	.....	.....	8672
.....	.....	.....	8673
May 10, 1891,	Weed .....	.....	8674
" 13, 1891,	Huntington .....	.....	8675
.....	.....	.....	8676
.....	.....	.....	8677
April 7, 1891,	Leonard, W. A.	Died, May 18, 1894; ac. 27.	8678
March 10, 1891,	Tuttle	8679

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6749	Hunter Davidson.....	June 6,	Adams.
6750	Henry Clinton Collins.....	" 6,	Adams.
6751	Theodore Sedgewick.....	" 6,	Paddock, B. H.
6752	Frederick Sterling Griffin.....	" 7,	Doane, W. C.
6753	Arthur Douglas Brown.....	" 8,	Whitehead.
6754	Miles Standish Hemenway.....	" 8,	Whitehead.
6755	William O. Waters.....	" 8,	Davies.
6756	Albert Mayall Hilliker.....	" 8,	Whipple.
6757	Albert J. Hawkesworth.....	" 11,	Johnston.
6758	Benjamin I. Jack.....	" 13,	Tuttle.
6759	Robert William Hewett.....	" 14,	Burgess, A.
6760	John W. Hyslop.....	" 15,	Leonard, A.
6761	W. H. I. Houghton.....	" 15,	Leonard, A.
6762	Frederick W. Norris.....	" 15,	Leonard, A.
6763	John Wesley Johnson.....	" 20,	Whittle.
6764	Walter Russell Breed.....	" 20,	Paddock, B. H.
6765	Wilson Waters.....	" 20,	Paddock, B. H.
6766	Paul Matthews.....	" 22,	Vincent.
6767	John Casson Cornick.....	" 27,	Whittle.
6768	Berryman Green.....	" 27,	Whittle.
6769	James Lindsay Patton.....	" 27,	Whittle.
6770	Edwin A. Hinks.....	" 27,	Whittle.
6771	William Hulliken Burkhart.....	" 27,	Peterkin.
6772	Robert Upshur Brooking.....	" 27,	Peterkin.
6773	Charles Whitcomb Tyler.....	" 29,	Knickerbacker.
6774	William Reed Cross.....	" 29,	Knight.
6775	Claudius Ferdinand Smith.....	" 29,	Watson.
6776	Edward Thomas Mably.....	" 29,	Leonard, W. A.
6777	Jonathan Nicholas.....	July 13,	Nichols.
6778	William M. Lane.....	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
6779	Thomas Robert Johnston.....	" 25,	Coxe.
6780	Edgar Frederick Gee.....	" 25,	Nichols.
6781	Patrick Murphy.....	" 27,	Talbot, E.
6782	James Johnstone Purcell.....	Aug. 2,	Knickerbacker.
6783	David W. Howard.....	" 2,	Thomas.
6784	Thomas W. Cowgill.....	" 2,	Thomas.
6785	Grant Paul Sommerville.....	" 6,	Peterkin.
6786	John William Barker.....	" 24,	Weed.
6787	Edgar Gardner Murphy.....	" 31,	Johnston.
6788	Webster L. Clark.....	Sept. 3,	Wingfield.
6789	Jiang Yun Pei.....	" 4,	Boone, W. J., Jr.
6790	Tu Lang Wu.....	" 4,	Boone, W. J., Jr.
6791	King Yun Tong.....	" 4,	Boone, W. J., Jr.
6792	James Thomas Kennedy.....	" 7,	Lyman.
6793	Johannes Salinger.....	" 14,	Gilbert.
6794	James Cheal.....	" 17,	Nichols.
6795	Thomas Spencer Childs.....	" 21,	Paret.
6796	John Thomas Crowe.....	" 21,	Paret.
6797	George Fiske Dudley.....	" 21,	Paret.
6798	Francis Burnell Randall.....	" 21,	Paret.
6799	Alexander Miller Rich.....	" 21,	Paret.
6800	Mason Campbell Stryker.....	" 21,	Paret.
6801	William Tayloe Snyder.....	" 21,	Paret.
6802	William Reeves Barker Turner.....	" 21,	Paret.
6803	Robert Sheridan Wilkes Wood.....	" 21,	Paret.
6804	John Emory Cookman.....	" 21,	Potter, H. C.
6805	Hamilton Cady.....	" 21,	Potter, H. C.
6806	Clinton Hosmer Weaver.....	" 21,	Lyman.
6807	Cleveland Keith Benedict.....	" 21,	Knickerbacker.
6808	Thomas Francis Bowen.....	" 21,	Perry.
6809	George Woodward Lamb.....	" 28,	Knight.
6810	James Cochrane Quinn.....	" 28,	Brewer.
6811	Tseng-Shing Yu.....	" 29,	Boone, W. J., Jr.
6812	John Samuel James.....	Oct. 16,	Talbot, E.
6813	George Herbert Fenwick.....	" 18,	Huntington.
6814	Harry A. R. Cressar.....	" 18,	Huntington.
6815	George H. Shelton.....	Nov. 1,	Grafton.
6816	Robert Edward Lee Craig.....	" 16,	Dudley.
6817	Palin Saxby.....	" 27,	Pierce.
6818	William K. Berry.....	" 30,	Perry.

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Jan. 15, 1881,	Dudley	6670
July 25, 1891,	Clark	6680
" 2, 1892,	Leonard, W. A.	6681
April 12, 1891,	Tuttle	6682
June 10, 1891,	Davies	Emigrated	6683
May 24, 1891,	Wilmer, R. H. ....	.....	6684
		.....	6685
May 7, 1891,	Clark	Deposed May 4, 1894.....	6686
Feb. 1, 1891,	Wilmer, R. H. ....	.....	6687
		.....	6688
		.....	6689
Oct. 11, 1891,	Clark .....	.....	6690
June 3, 1891,	Gilbert .....	.....	6691
		.....	6692
Dec. 21, 1890,	Rulison .....	.....	6693
" 21, 1890,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6694
Nov. 1, 1892,	Starkey .....	.....	6695
May 24, 1891,	Starkey .....	.....	6696
Oct. 16, 1891,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6697
June 4, 1891,	Grafton .....	.....	6698
May 15, 1891,	Huntington .....	.....	6699
" 15, 1891,	Huntington .....	.....	6700
" 15, 1891,	Huntington .....	.....	6701
" 15, 1891,	Huntington .....	.....	6702
June 4, 1891,	Grafton .....	.....	6703
Aug. 2, 1891,	Nichols .....	.....	6704
July 9, 1890,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	6705
		.....	6706
May 24, 1891,	McLaren .....	.....	6707
June 11, 1893,	Whitaker .....	.....	6708
April 20, 1891,	Whitaker .....	.....	6709
Nov. 17, 1891,	Atwill .....	.....	6710
June 4, 1891,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6711
May 24, 1891,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6712
June 30, 1891,	Bissell .....	.....	6713
May 24, 1891,	Lynn .....	.....	6714
June 15, 1892,	Seymour .....	.....	6715
May 24, 1891,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6716
" 24, 1891,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6717
" 24, 1891,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6718
" 24, 1891,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6719
Nov. 8, 1891,	Coxe .....	.....	6720
July 5, 1891,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6721
" 5, 1891,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6722
May 24, 1891,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6723
Feb. 22, 1891,	Coxe .....	.....	6724
July 20, 1890,	Talbot, E.	Deposed, Oct. 19, 1894.....	6725
" 20, 1890,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	6726
" 20, 1890,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	6727
" 20, 1890,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	6728
Dec. 18, 1892,	Coxe .....	.....	6729
May 20, 1891,	Seymour .....	.....	6730
June 30, 1891,	Bissell .....	.....	6731
Dec. 18, 1892,	Nichols .....	.....	6732
May 24, 1892,	Scarborough .....	.....	6733
" 24, 1892,	Scarborough .....	.....	6734
Dec. 21, 1890,	Rulison .....	.....	6735
" 21, 1890,	Rulison .....	.....	6736
May 18, 1891,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6737
" 25, 1891,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6738
June 7, 1891,	Paret .....	.....	6739
May 25, 1891,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6740
Sept. 24, 1891,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6741
May 25, 1891,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6742
" 25, 1891,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6743
Dec. 18, 1890,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6744
Oct. 31, 1893,	Williams, J. ....	.....	6745
Jan. 27, 1891,	Worthington	6746
" 27, 1891,	Worthington	6747
" 27, 1891,	Worthington	6748

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No.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
6819	Joseph Alexander Brown	Dec. 3,	Whitaker.
6820	Harry Lee Fitch	" 4,	Galleher.
6821	Joseph Narbonne About	" 4,	Galleher.
6822	William Hart	" 4,	Galleher.
6823	George Frederick Clover	" 10,	Huntington.
6824	James J. N. Thompson.....	" 14,	Gregg.
6825	Octavius Theodore Porcher.....	" 17,	Howe, W. B.
6826	Amasa Wright Saltus	" 21,	Niles.
6827	John W. Burras.....	" 21,	Potter, H. C.
6828	William A. Dalton	" 21,	Potter, H. C.
6829	Isaac Smithson Hartley	" 21,	Potter, H. C.
6830	Charles McLean.....	?	?
6831	Alexis Irene Du Pont Coleman.....	*	
6832	Harry H. Johnston.....	†	
6833	Percy St. Michael Podmore.....	†	
6834	William Dunlop Morrow.....	§	

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6835	Charles Mercer Hall	Jan. 6,	Scarborough.
6836	David Felix Davies	" 14,	Leonard, W. A.
6837	James De Bevers Kaye	" 18,	Leonard, W. A.
6838	William Hilary Costen	" 18,	Leonard, W. A.
6839	Herbert Dunbar Cone	" 18,	Leonard, W. A.
6840	James Addison Ingle	" 29,	Paret.
6841	Ralph Howard Baldwin.. ..	Feb. 15,	Potter, H. C.
6842	Edward Robert Baxter	" 18,	Scarborough.
6843	Frederick Higginbotham Burrell	" 22,	Seymour.
6844	John Brann	" 25,	Knickerbacker-
6845	William Morrison	March 10,	Coleman.
6846	Orin Arnold Sands	" 11,	Huntington.
6847	Alfred Kingsbury Glover.....	" 22,	Knickerbacker-
6848	Bartow B. Ramage.....	" 26,	Quintard.
6849	James Curtis Carnahan	April 5,	Coxe.
6850	John Edward Dallam	" 7,	Burgess, A.
6851	John Frederick Milbank	" 9,	Galleher.
6852	Alan L. Burleson	" 14,	Knight.
6853	John Charles Sage	" 21,	Leonard, W. A.
6854	Charles Rowland Hill	" 24,	Thomas.
6855	Eugene Griggs	" 26,	Coleman.
6856	John Fearnley	May 21,	Weed.
6857	Philip Grant Davidson.....	" 22,	Seymour.
6858	William J. Cordick.....	" 23,	Grafton.
6859	John Leach Porter.....	" 23,	Grafton.]
6860	William Wirt Mills.....	" 23,	Rulison.
6861	Morris W. Christman.....	" 23,	Rulison.
6862	Ambrose D. Gring.....	" 23,	Rulison.
6863	Elmer Ellsworth Shoemaker	" 23,	Rulison.
6864	Ernest B. Streator.....	" 24,	McLaren.
6865	Henry R. Neely.....	" 24,	McLaren.
6866	Alfred H. Lealtad	" 24,	McLaren.
6867	Edward Wilson Averill	" 24,	McLaren.
6868	George Frazier Miller	" 24,	Howe, W. B. W.
6869	William Wilmeding Moir.....	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6870	Clarence Wyatt Bispham.....	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6871	John Charles Stephenson	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6872	Richard Bright.....	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6873	Albert William Francis Manifold	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6874	Leonard Burbank Richards.....	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6875	Horatio Oliver Ladd.....	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6876	Rowland Stuart Nichols	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6877	John Amos Trimmer.....	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6878	George Clarence King	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6879	Samuel Henry Bishop	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6880	Guy Loughman Wallis.....	" 24,	Potter, H. C.
6881	Walter I. Strecher	" 24,	Littlejohn.

* Made Deacon by the Bishop of Ripon.

† Made Deacon by the Bishop of Algoma.

‡ Made Deacon by the Bishop of Toronto.

§ Made Deacon in Ireland.

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e 12, 1892,	Whittaker.....	6819
r 8, 1895,	Sessums.....	6820
e 12, 1891,	Galleher.....	6821
. 18, 1891,	Huntington.....	6822
r 16, 1894,	Kinsolving.....	.....	6823
. 11, 1891,	Howe, W. B. W.....	.....	6824
r 23, 1893,	Starkey.....	.....	6825
. 12, 1892,	Rullison.....	.....	6826
28, 1891,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6827
L 22, 1891,	Walker.....	.....	6828
e 1, 1890,	Coleman.....	.....	6829
. 9, 1890,	Gillespie.....	6830
. 2, 1890,	Seymour.....	6831
r 20, 1890,	Talbot, E.....	Deposed, Jan. 2, 1892.....	6832

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. 23, 1891,	Scarborough.....	6833
e 21, 1891,	Leonard, W. A.....	6834
. 18, 1891,	Leonard, W. A.....	6835
. 8, 1891,	Leonard, W. A.....	Deposed, May 14, 1894; while a Deacon.	6836
e 7, 1891,	Paret.....	.....	6837
. 7, 1894,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6838
. 2, 1892,	Scarborough.....	.....	6839
e 5, 1892,	Knickerbacker.....	.....	6840
ch 9, 1892,	Coleman.....	.....	6841
r 18, 1893,	Huntington.....	.....	6842
. 4, 1891,	Knickerbacker.....	.....	6843
r 18, 1892,	Quintard.....	.....	6844
. 27, 1893,	Coxe.....	.....	6845
e 17, 1894,	Whipple.....	.....	6846
tl 20, 1892,	Sessums.....	.....	6847
e 25, 1893,	Leonard, W. A.....	.....	6848
. 19, 1893,	McLaren.....	.....	6849
r 3, 1892,	Thomas.....	.....	6850
. 18, 1891,	Doane, W. C.....	.....	6851
L 15, 1892,	Quintard.....	.....	6852
ch 11, 1892,	Seymour.....	.....	6853
e 9, 1892,	Grafton.....	.....	6854
— 1892,	Grafton.....	.....	6855
e 9, 1892,	Starkey.....	.....	6856
. 22, 1892,	Rullison.....	.....	6857
. 29, 1892,	Rullison.....	.....	6858
. ?	?	Deposed, Feb. 27, 1893.....	6859
r 31, 1892,	McLaren.....	.....	6860
. 20, 1891,	McLaren.....	.....	6861
r 31, 1892,	McLaren.....	.....	6862
ch 31, 1894,	McLaren.....	.....	6863
ie 24, 1892,	Nelson.....	.....	6864
. 5, 1892,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6865
reh 15, 1892,	Paret.....	.....	6866
. 17, 1891,	Spalding.....	.....	6867
ie 10, 1893,	Nelson.....	.....	6868
reh 10, 1892,	Starkey.....	Deposed, Feb. 5, 1894.....	6869
rl 23, 1892,	Coleman.....	.....	6870
e 13, 1891,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6871
ie 5, 1892,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6872
" 5, 1892,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6873
e 13, 1891,	Potter, H. C.....	Deposed, Oct. 2, 1892; while a Deacon.	6874
ne 11, 1892,	Coleman.....	6875
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6889	William Henry Thomas	May 24,	Littlejohn.
6889	Andrew Dowd	" 24,	Talbot, E.
6894	Arnold Lutton	" 24,	Talbot, E.
6895	John Dawson	" 24,	Talbot, E.
6896	Lewis B. F. Davie	" 24,	Whitaker.
6897	Andrew Harold Miller	" 24,	Whitaker.
6898	Arnold Harris Hord	" 24,	Whitaker.
6899	John Chudler White	" 24,	Seymour.
6900	Herbert Giles Sharpley	" 24,	Scarborough.
6901	Charles Herman Reinsberg	" 24,	Scarborough.
6902	William Northey Jones	" 24,	Scarborough.
6903	Frederick Kendall Howard	" 26,	Perry.
6904	Gerard Francis Patterson	" 26,	Knight.
6905	Harry Wright Perkins	" 26,	Knight.
6906	DeLou Burke	" 26,	Kickerbacker.
6907	Edward Saunders	" 26,	Kickerbacker.
6908	Richard Colgate Talbot, Jr.	" 26,	Worthington.
6909	Edward Jennings Knight	" 26,	Scarborough.
6910	Frederick W. Keator	" 31,	McLaren.
6911	Paul Flynn Sweet	" 31,	Bissell.
6912	William Buxton Clift	" 31,	Bissell.
6913	Fenner S. Stickney	" 31,	Lyman.
6914	Markfield Yamabe	" 31,	Hare.
6915	Yasutaro Nabe	" 31,	Hare.
6916	Toshizumi Chikashige	" 31,	Hare.
6917	Sakachi Minagawa	" 31,	Hare.
6918	Yo Shintachi Sugitani	" 31,	Hare.
6919	Franklin S. Spalding	June 3,	Spalding.
6920	Frederick F. Krauer	" 3,	Spalding.
6921	Hiram Bullis	" 3,	Spalding.
6922	John Harrington	" 3,	Spalding.
6923	William S. Bishop	" 3,	Spalding.
6924	William O. Cone	" 3,	Spalding.
6925	John Franklin Ballantyne	" 3,	Williams, J.
6926	Clarence Hawley Beers	" 3,	Williams, J.
6927	George Israel Brown	" 3,	Williams, J.
6928	Samuel William Derby	" 3,	Williams, J.
6929	Frederick Garrettson Jewett	" 3,	Williams, J.
6930	John Lopez Latimer	" 3,	Williams, J.
6931	Ernesto de Fremercy Michel	" 3,	Williams, J.
6932	Howard Vernon Pinney	" 3,	Williams, J.
6933	George Brickerhoff Richards	" 3,	Williams, J.
6934	Irving Perkins Johnson	" 3,	Williams, J.
6935	John Charles Gray	" 7,	Paret.
6936	Frank Peet Wilkes	" 7,	Paret.
6937	Stephen Warren Wilson	" 7,	Atwell.
6938	George J. McCordish	" 8,	Davies.
6939	John Albert Williams	" 11,	Worthington.
6940	Albert E. Edmore	" 14,	Whipple.
6941	George F. Channing Hay	" 14,	Whipple.
6942	Dwight Steer Murfield	" 14,	Quintard.
6943	James F. Omsted	" 14,	Doane, W. C.
6944	John Montgomery Rich	" 14,	Doane, W. C.
6945	J. Hugo Klare	" 14,	Clark.
6946	Ernest Alder Benichet	" 14,	Clark.
6947	Jesse Keckham Brennan	" 14,	Clark.
6948	Ruth Shackford Chase	" 14,	Clark.
6949	William Herbert Dewart	" 14,	Clark.
6950	William Edward Hayes	" 14,	Clark.
6951	William Henry Jones	" 17,	Clark.
6952	Herman Page	" 17,	Clark.
6953	Joseph Alexander Vance	" 17,	Clark.
6954	Francis Chetwood Wainwright	" 17,	Clark.
6955	Edward Taylor Sullivan	" 17,	Clark.
6956	Edwin A. Gerhart	" 17,	Whitaker.
6957	James E. Barber	" 17,	Whitaker.
6958	James Henry Young	" 21,	Leonard, W. A.
6959	George Herbert Ten Broeck	" 21,	Whipple.
6960	John S. Ridout	" 26,	Whittle.
6961	William Dickerson Smith	" 26,	Whittle.

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June 12, 1892,	Whitaker.....	6819
May 8, 1895,	Sessums.....	6820
.....	6821
June 19, 1891,	Galleher.....	6822
Dec. 18, 1891,	Huntington.....	.....	6823
May 16, 1894,	Kinsolving.....	.....	6824
Nov. 11, 1891,	Howe, W. B. W.....	6825
May 28, 1893,	Starkey.....	6826
Jan. 12, 1892,	Rulison.....	6827
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May 28, 1891,	Potter, H. C.....	6829
Sept. 23, 1891,	Walker.....	6830
June 1, 1890,	Coleman.....	6831
Nov. 9, 1890,	Gillespie.....	6832
Dec. 2, 1890,	Seymour.....	6833
July 20, 1890,	Talbot, E.....	Deposed, Jan. 2, 1892.....	6834

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Dec. 23, 1891,	Scarborough.....	6835
June 21, 1891,	Leonard, W. A.....	6836
Dec. 18, 1891,	Leonard, W. A.....	6837
.....	.....	Deposed, May 14, 1894; while a Deacon.....	6838
July 8, 1891,	Leonard, W. A.....	.....	6839
June 7, 1891,	Paret.....	.....	6840
Oct. 7, 1894,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6841
Nov. 2, 1892,	Scarborough.....	.....	6842
.....	.....	.....	6843
June 5, 1892,	Knickerbacker.....	.....	6844
March 9, 1892,	Coleman.....	.....	6845
May 18, 1893,	Huntington.....	.....	6846
Oct. 4, 1891,	Knickerbacker.....	.....	6847
May 18, 1892,	Quintard.....	.....	6848
" 27, 1893,	Coxe.....	.....	6849
June 17, 1894,	Whipple.....	.....	6850
April 30, 1892,	Sessums.....	.....	6851
June 25, 1893,	Leonard, W. A.....	.....	6852
Nov. 19, 1893,	McLaren.....	.....	6853
July 3, 1892,	Thomas.....	.....	6854
Nov. 18, 1891,	Doane, W. C.....	.....	6855
Sept. 15, 1892,	Quintard.....	.....	6856
March 11, 1892,	Seymour.....	.....	6857
June 9, 1892,	Grafton.....	.....	6858
..... 1892,	Grafton.....	.....	6859
June 9, 1892,	Starkey.....	.....	6860
Nov. 22, 1892,	Rulison.....	.....	6861
" 29, 1892,	Rulison.....	.....	6862
?	?	Deposed, Feb. 27, 1893.....	6863
May 31, 1892,	McLaren.....	.....	6864
Dec. 20, 1891,	McLaren.....	.....	6865
May 31, 1892,	McLaren.....	.....	6866
March 31, 1894,	McLaren.....	.....	6867
June 24, 1892,	Nelson.....	.....	6868
" 5, 1892,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6869
March 15, 1892,	Paret.....	.....	6870
Dec. 17, 1891,	Spalding.....	.....	6871
June 10, 1893,	Nelson.....	.....	6872
March 10, 1892,	Starkey.....	Deposed, Feb. 5, 1894.....	6873
April 23, 1892,	Coleman.....	.....	6874
Dec. 13, 1891,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6875
June 5, 1892,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6876
" 5, 1892,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	6877
.....	.....	Deposed, Oct. 2, 1892; while a Deacon.....	6878
Dec. 13, 1891,	Potter, H. C.....	6879
June 11, 1892,	Coleman.....	6880
..... 1895,	Littlejohn.....	6881

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No.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
6952	Ernest Milmore Stires.....	June 26,	Whittle.
6953	William Walke Brander.....	" 26,	Whittle.
6954	William Cabell Brown	" 26,	Whittle.
6955	Robert Smith Carter.....	" 23,	Whittle.
6956	William Jackson Morton.....	" 26,	Whittle.
6957	Charles Sylvester Harrison	" 26,	Whittle.
6958	John Gaw Meem	" 26,	Whittle.
6959	J. Cleveland Hall.....	" 26,	Whittle.
6960	Samuel Erastus Arthur.....	" 26,	Whittle.
6961	Robert Kinloch Massie.....	" 26,	Whittle.
6962	Edward Hamilton Parnell	" 28,	Talbot, E.
6963	Thomas J. Garland.....	" 28,	Whitehead.
6964	James Eleazar Craig	July 9,	Knickerbacker.
6965	William Mitchell	" 9,	Knickerbacker.
6966	Charles Henry Ewing	" 12,	Adams.
6967	Herman P. Vieborn	" 15,	Johnston.
6968	William Emory Henkell	Aug. 16,	Potter, H. C.
6969	George Lynde Richardson	Sept. 10,	Doane, W. C.
6970	John Fieldhouse Fenton.....	" 14,	Scarborough.
6971	William Henry Ames Hall	" 20,	Starkey.
6972	Clarence Morton Murray.....	" 20,	Paret.
6973	Theophilus Smoot	" 20,	Paret.
6974	Daniel Troy Beatty	" 20,	Gregg.
6975	Christian R. Kuyk	" 20,	Whittle.
6976	Alfred W. Anson.....	" 20,	Whittle.
6977	William Morris Gilbert.....	" 22,	Huntington.
6978	Walter Edmund Bentley	Oct. 1,	Huntington.
6979	Albert Cusick.....	" 1,	Huntington.
6980	Nathaniel Seymour Thomas.....	" 4,	Thomas.
6981	Owen J. Davies.....	" 4,	Leonard, W. A.
6982	Thomas Alexander Payne	" 8,	Randolph.
6983	Thomas Prayther Jacob.....	" 18,	Dudley.
6984	Samuel Rhodes.....	" 18,	Lyman.
6985	Henry Elmer Gilchrist	" 28,	Doane, W. C.
6986	David E. Holt	Nov. 3,	Thompson.
6987	John G. Urling	" 8,	Dudley.
6988	Frederick Hall	" 22,	Davies.
6989	Louis P. Jocelyn.....	" 28,	Davies.
6990	Joseph Houghton Woods	Dec. 1,	Brooks.
6991	Charles DeWitt Bridgeman	" 13,	Potter, H. C.
6992	Clarence R. Conger	" 13,	Potter, H. C.
6993	Walter Amyre Augustus Gardner.....	" 13,	Potter, H. C.
6994	Randolph Cassius Cooper.....	" 13,	Ferguson.
6995	Roderick Provost Cobb	" 15,	Scarborough.
6996	David T. Howell	" 16,	Starkey.
6997	William Francis Parsons.....	" 17,	Doane, W. C.
6998	Richard Lightburne McCreedy	" 20,	Dudley.
6999	Robert M. W. Black.....	" 20,	Quintard.
7000	Elvin Smith Taylor.....	" 20,	Quintard.
7001	Alexander C. Killhefer	" 20,	Quintard.
7002	George Bruce Nicholson	" 20,	Neely.
7003	Edward Macomb Duff	" 22,	Huntington.
7004	Arnold Harxall Redding.....	" 22,	Huntington.
7005	Frank P. Tompkins	" 22,	Huntington.
7006	Henry Tudor.....	" 26,	Tuttle.
7007	Willis Hatzfield Hazard	" 29,	Whitaker.
7008	Frank William Oram.....	†	
7009	Henry B. Collier	†	
7010	Levi Isaac Jenner.....	†	

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7011	George Leslie	Jan. 3,	Leonard, W. A.
7012	Harry Fields Saumenig	" 12,	Paret.
7013	Phillip K. Hammond	" 19,	McLaren.
7014	George Sherman Richards.....	" 24,	Dudley.

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PRIEST.		BISHOP.	NOTES.	No.
June	24, 1892,	Randolph	6962
"	24, 1892,	Randolph	6953
Aug.	2, 1891,	Whittle	6954
June	24, 1892,	Randolph .....	.....	6955
"	24, 1892,	Randolph .....	.....	6956
"	24, 1892,	Randolph .....	.....	6957
Aug.	2, 1891,	Whittle .....	.....	6958
"	2, 1891,	Whittle .....	.....	6959
June	19, 1892,	Tuttle	Deposed, Dec. 1, 1895	6960
Aug.	2, 1891,	Whittle .....	.....	6961
Dec.	30, 1891,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	6962
June	12, 1892,	Whitehead .....	.....	6963
.....	.....	.....	.....	6964
June	15, 1892,	Brooks .....	.....	6965
July	14, 1892,	Adams .....	.....	6966
May	16, 1894,	Kinsolving .....	.....	6967
June	5, 1892,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6968
"	12, 1892,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6969
April	6, 1892,	Scarborough .....	.....	6970
March	10, 1892,	Starkey .....	.....	6971
June	9, 1895,	Paret .....	.....	6972
.....	.....	.....	.....	6973
May	18, 1892,	Quintard .....	.....	6974
"	20, 1894,	Whittle .....	.....	6975
July	9, 1892,	Randolph .....	.....	6976
July	21, 1892,	Huntington .....	.....	6977
"	21, 1892,	Huntington .....	.....	6978
.....	.....	.....	.....	6979
May	23, 1892,	Thomas .....	.....	6980
June	25, 1892,	Leonard, W. A. ....	.....	6981
.....	.....	.....	Died, April 20, 1893, while a Deacon.	6982
July	22, 1892,	Dudley .....	.....	6983
.....	.....	.....	.....	6984
June	13, 1892,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6985
July	12, 1895,	Thompson .....	.....	6986
June	20, 1894,	Dudley	Died, April 26, 1895; ac 73	6987
June	21, 1892,	Davies .....	.....	6988
.....	.....	.....	.....	6989
July	27, 1892,	Brooks .....	.....	6990
June	28, 1892,	Dudley .....	.....	6991
.....	.....	.....	.....	6992
June	5, 1892,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6993
July	24, 1892,	Ferguson .....	.....	6994
"	24, 1892,	Scarborough .....	.....	6995
June	5, 1892,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6996
July	12, 1892,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6997
July	26, 1892,	Dudley .....	.....	6998
"	28, 1892,	Nelson .....	.....	6999
June	24, 1892,	Quintard .....	.....	7000
Oct.	22, 1894,	Quintard .....	.....	7001
Sept.	30, 1892,	Neely .....	.....	7002
Oct.	27, 1892,	Huntington .....	.....	7003
Dec.	21, 1892,	Huntington .....	.....	7004
"	21, 1892,	Huntington .....	.....	7005
April	26, 1896,	Tuttle .....	.....	7006
.....	.....	.....	.....	7007
June	29, 1891,	Brewer	Died, Oct. 15, 1893, ac 32	7008
Oct.	4, 1891,	Klickerhacker	7009
Dec.	20, 1891,	Burgess, A.	7010

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June	14, 1894,	Gray	7011
Feb.	17, 1892,	McLaren	7012
March	3, 1892,	Dudley	7013
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6952	Ernest Milmore Stiles	June 26,	Whittle.
6953	William Walke Brander	" 26,	Whittle.
6954	William Cabell Brown	" 26,	Whittle.
6955	Robert Smith Carter	" 21,	Whittle.
6956	William Jackson Morton	" 26,	Whittle.
6957	Charles Sylvester Harrison	" 26,	Whittle.
6958	John Gaw Meem	" 26,	Whittle.
6959	J. Cleveland Hall	" 26,	Whittle.
6960	Samuel Erasmus Arthur	" 26,	Whittle.
6961	Robert Kinloch Massele	" 26,	Whittle.
6962	Edward Hamilton Parnell	" 26,	Talbot, E.
6963	Thomas J. Garland	" 28,	Whitehead.
6964	James Eleazar Craig	July 9,	Knickerbocker.
6965	William Mitchell	" 9,	Knickerbocker.
6966	Charles Henry Ewing	" 12,	Adams.
6967	Herman P. Viborn	" 15,	Johnston.
6968	William Emory Henkell	Aug. 16,	Potter, H. C.
6969	George Lynde Richardson	Sept. 10,	Doane, W. C.
6970	John Fieldhouse Fenton	" 14,	Scarborough.
6971	William Henry Ames Hall	" 20,	Starkey.
6972	Clarence Morton Murray	" 20,	Paret.
6973	Theophilus Smoot	" 21,	Paret.
6974	Daniel Troy Beatty	" 20,	Gregg.
6975	Christian R. Kuyk	" 20,	Whittle.
6976	Alfred W. Anson	" 20,	Whittle.
6977	William Morris Gilbert	" 22,	Huntington.
6978	Walter Edmund Bentley	Oct. 1,	Huntington.
6979	Albert Cusick	" 1,	Huntington.
6980	Nathaniel Seymour Thomas	" 4,	Thomas.
6981	Owen J. Davies	" 4,	Leonard, W. A.
6982	Thomas Alexander Payne	" 8,	Randolph.
6983	Thomas Prayther Jacob	" 18,	Dudley.
6984	Samuel Rhodes	" 18,	Lyman.
6985	Henry Elmer Gilchrist	" 28,	Doane, W. C.
6986	David E. Holt	Nov. 3,	Thompson.
6987	John G. Urling	" 8,	Dudley.
6988	Frederick Hall	" 22,	Davies.
6989	Louis P. Jocelyn	" 28,	Davies.
6990	Joseph Houghton Woods	Dec. 1,	Brooks.
6991	Charles DeWitt Bridgeman	" 13,	Potter, H. C.
6992	Clarence R. Conger	" 13,	Potter, H. C.
6993	Walter Amyre Augustus Gardner	" 13,	Potter, H. C.
6994	Randolph Chase Cooper	" 13,	Ferguson.
6995	Roderick Provost Cobb	" 15,	Scarborough.
6996	David T. Howell	" 16,	Starkey.
6997	William Francis Parsons	" 17,	Doane, W. C.
6998	Richard Lighthorne McIntyre	" 20,	Dudley.
6999	Robert M. W. Black	" 20,	Quintard.
7000	Elvin Smith Taylor	" 20,	Quintard.
7001	Alexander C. Killhefer	" 20,	Quintard.
7002	George Bruce Nicholson	" 20,	Neely.
7003	Edward Macomb Duff	" 22,	Huntington.
7004	Arnold Harsall Redding	" 22,	Huntington.
7005	Frank P. Tompkins	" 22,	Huntington.
7006	Henry Tudor	" 26,	Tuttle.
7007	Willis Hatzfield Hazard	" 29,	Whitaker.
7008	Frank William Oram		
7009	Henry B. Collier		
7010	Levi Isaac Jenner		

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7011	George Leslie	Jan. 3,	Leonard W. A.
7012	Harry Fields Sauwenig	" 12,	Paret.
7013	Philip K. Hamilton	" 19,	McLaren.
7014	George Sherman Richards	" 24,	Dudley.

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PRIENT.	BISHOP.	NOTES.	No.
e 24, 1892,	Randolph	6952
24, 1892,	Randolph	6953
2, 1891,	Whittle	6954
e 24, 1892,	Randolph .....	.....	6955
24, 1892,	Randolph .....	.....	6956
24, 1892,	Randolph .....	.....	6957
f 2, 1891,	Whittle .....	.....	6958
9, 1891,	Whittle .....	.....	6959
e 19, 1892,	Tuttle	Deposed, Dec. 1, 1895	6960
f 2, 1891,	Whittle .....	.....	6961
20, 1891,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	6962
e 19, 1892,	Whitehead .....	.....	6963
.....	.....	.....	6964
e 15, 1892,	Brooks .....	.....	6965
14, 1892,	Adams .....	.....	6966
16, 1894,	Kinsolving .....	.....	6967
e 5, 1892,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6968
12, 1892,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6969
tl 6, 1892,	Scarborough .....	.....	6970
ch 10, 1892,	Starkey .....	.....	6971
e 9, 1895,	Paret .....	.....	6972
.....	.....	.....	6973
18, 1892,	Quintard .....	.....	6974
20, 1894,	Whittle .....	.....	6975
9, 1892,	Randolph .....	.....	6976
t 21, 1892,	Huntington .....	.....	6977
21, 1892,	Huntington .....	.....	6978
.....	.....	.....	6979
28, 1893,	Thomas .....	.....	6980
e 25, 1893,	Leonard, W. A. ....	.....	6981
.....	.....	Died, April 30, 1893; while a Deacon.	6982
22, 1892,	Dudley .....	.....	6983
.....	.....	.....	6984
e 18, 1892,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6985
12, 1895,	Thompson .....	.....	6986
e 20, 1894,	Dudley	Died, April 26, 1896; ae. 73.	6987
21, 1892,	Davies .....	.....	6988
.....	.....	.....	6989
27, 1892,	Brooks .....	.....	6990
e 26, 1892,	Dudley .....	.....	6991
.....	.....	.....	6992
e 5, 1892,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6993
24, 1893,	Ferguson .....	.....	6994
24, 1892,	Scarborough .....	.....	6995
e 5, 1892,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	6996
12, 1892,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	6997
26, 1895,	Dudley .....	.....	6998
24, 1893,	Nelson .....	.....	6999
e 24, 1893,	Quintard .....	.....	7000
22, 1894,	Quintard .....	.....	7001
t 20, 1893,	Neely .....	.....	7002
27, 1893,	Huntington .....	.....	7003
21, 1892,	Huntington .....	.....	7004
21, 1892,	Huntington .....	.....	7005
tl 25, 1893,	Tuttle .....	.....	7006
.....	.....	.....	7007
e 28, 1891,	Brewer	Died, Oct. 15, 1893; ae. 32.	7008
4, 1891,	Kniekerbacker	7009
20, 1891,	Burgess, A.	7010
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e 14, 1894,	Gray	7011
.....	7012
17, 1893,	McLaren	7013
ch 3, 1893,	Dudley	7014

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No	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP
7085	William J. Robertson	June 12,	Whitaker
7086	Charles C. P. Jefferys	" 12,	Whitaker.
7087	James Kirkpatrick	" 12,	Whitaker
7088	Charles Henry Arndt	" 12,	Whitaker.
7089	Victor Mellet Haughton	" 12,	Whitaker
7090	James Clayton Mitchell	" 12,	Whitaker.
7091	George Yemene Bliss	" 12,	Bissell.
7092	Charles Jacob Shutt	" 12,	Seymour.
7093	Gordon Talman Lewis	" 12,	Littlejohn.
7094	Wilmer Park Bird	" 12,	Littlejohn
7095	Joseph B. Norwood	" 12,	Littlejohn.
7096	William A. Wasson	" 12,	Littlejohn.
7097	Andrew F. Underhill	" 12,	Littlejohn.
7098	William Gage Webb	" 12,	Littlejohn.
7099	Alexander Griswold Cummings, Jr.	" 12,	Coleman.
7100	Francis Goodwin Williams	" 12,	Coleman.
7101	Charles Arthur Densfeld	" 12,	Clark.
7102	Edwin Barnes Niver	" 12,	Clark.
7103	Lewis Childs Sanford	" 12,	Clark.
7104	Alonzo Parker Curtis	" 12,	Grafton.
7105	Arthur Hallett Mellen	" 12,	Coxe.
7106	Irving Everett Baxter	" 12,	Worthington.
7107	Joseph Carden	" 15,	Brooks.
7108	Abel Millard	" 15,	Brooks
7109	George Frederick Daniels	" 15,	Brooks.
7110	Arthur Bradford Paineau	" 15,	Brooks.
7111	Frederick Manning Brooks	" 15,	Brooks.
7112	Francis Lescur Palmer	" 15,	Brooks.
7113	Charles Follen Lee	" 15,	Brooks.
7114	Arthur Chase	" 15,	Brooks.
7115	Charles Hazzard Remington	" 15,	Brooks.
7116	John Hall Griffith	" 19,	Whipple.
7117	Robert Van Kleeck Harris	" 19,	Potter, H. C.
7118	Samuel Augustus Weikert	" 19,	Potter, H. C.
7119	Arthur Chard	" 19,	Gilbert
7120	Edgar Canby Lech	" 19,	Rubson.
7121	Robert Blair Bruce	" 23,	Randolph.
7122	Frank Earl Cooley	" 24,	Peterkin.
7123	William Hammond Milton	" 24,	Randolph
7124	John Francis Ribble	" 24,	Randolph.
7125	Joshiah Richmond Ellis	" 24,	Randolph.
7126	Milton Arthur Craft	" 24,	Randolph.
7127	John Beniers Gilbie	" 24,	Watson.
7128	James Lawrenson Smiley	" 25,	Paret.
7129	Deodat Vincent Baker Morgan	" 25,	Paret.
7130	Orylle E. Watson	" 26,	Leonard, W. A.
7131	Howard M. Ingham	" 26,	Leonard, W. A.
7132	James Satterth	" 26,	Leonard, W. A.
7133	Colwyn Keniah Pier Cogswell	" 26,	Leonard, W. A.
7134	Charles Frederick Brookins	" 26,	Vincent
7135	William F. Raybo	" 26,	Vincent.
7136	Herbert Morrison Clarke	" 26,	Spalding.
7137	James Inuls H. Cameron	" 28,	Littlejohn.
7138	John Trappell Matthews	" 28,	Littlejohn.
7139	William Piessev	" 29,	Davies
7140	Samuel Simpson Marquis	" 29,	Whitehead.
7141	Arthur Whipple Jenks	" 30,	Niles.
7142	George Allen Beecher	July 3,	Graves, A. R.
7143	William J. Graham, Klp. 3d	" 7,	Kip
7144	John Davis Skilton	" 13,	Leonard, W. A.
7145	Robert Kel	" 20,	Leonard, W. A.
7146	David D. Moore	" 22,	Weed.
7147	Albert Randolph Price	" 24,	Sessums.
7148	William Bix Attwood	Aug 4,	Leonard, W. A.
7149	Hudson Stuck	" 7,	Johnston.
7150	Edward McCrady	" 7,	Johnston.
7151	William H. Pond	Sept. 2,	Hare.
7152	John Leal	" 15,	Talbot, E.
7153	Richard Edmonds Bennett	" 16,	Williams, J.
7154	George William Phillips	" 16,	Williams, J.

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.....	7015
May 18, 1892,	Quintard	7016
Sept. 19, 1893,	Whittle.....	7017
May 28, 1893,	Potter, H. C.....	7018
.....	.....	.....	7019
June 24, 1893,	Davies .....	.....	7020
May 9, 1893,	Whittle.....	.....	7021
June 20, 1893,	Huntington .....	.....	7022
" 7, 1895,	Huntington .....	.....	7023
Oct. 8, 1893,	Starkey .....	.....	7024
June 4, 1894,	Gailor .....	.....	7025
Oct. 14, 1892,	Quintard .....	.....	7026
.....	.....	.....	7027
.....	.....	.....	7028
.....	.....	.....	7029
May 28, 1893,	Vincent .....	.....	7030
.....	.....	Deposed, 1892; while a Deacon.....	7031
May 14, 1893,	Kendrick.....	.....	7032
March 22, 1893,	Clark.....	.....	7033
Dec. 16, 1892,	Clark.....	.....	7034
May 16, 1894,	Kinsolving.....	.....	7035
Jan. 17, 1893,	Rullson .....	.....	7036
Sept. 15, 1892,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	7037
.....	.....	.....	7038
April 4, 1893,	Doane, W. C	Died, Jan. 23, 1894; ae. 55.....	7039
June 9, 1895,	Whitaker .....	.....	7040
.....	.....	.....	7041
Dec. 21, 1892,	Scarborough .....	.....	7042
.....	.....	.....	7043
Sept. 26, 1893,	Gray .....	.....	7044
June 28, 1893,	Clark .....	.....	7045
Sept. 15, 1892,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	7046
" 15, 1892,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	7047
.....	.....	.....	7048
May 18, 1893,	McLaren.....	.....	7049
Feb. 17, 1893,	McLaren .....	.....	7050
" 17, 1893,	McLaren .....	.....	7051
Nov. 30, 1892,	Nichols.....	.....	7052
" 26, 1892,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	7053
May 28, 1893,	Knickerbacker.....	.....	7054
" 28, 1893,	Knickerbacker.....	.....	7055
Dec. 15, 1892,	Knickerbacker.....	.....	7056
Feb. 7, 1893,	Talbot, E. ....	.....	7057
May 11, 1893,	Wilmer, R. H.....	.....	7058
.....	.....	.....	7059
Sept. 2, 1894,	Wells .....	.....	7060
Dec. 17, 1893,	Nicholson .....	.....	7061
March 25, 1893,	Williams, J.....	.....	7062
May 24, 1893,	Williams, J.....	.....	7063
Nov. 6, 1892,	Whitehead .....	.....	7064
.....	.....	.....	7065
May 24, 1893,	Williams, J.....	.....	7066
" 24, 1893,	Williams, J.....	.....	7067
June 11, 1893,	Morris .....	.....	7068
.....	.....	.....	7069
.....	.....	.....	7070
Oct. 8, 1893,	Starkey .....	.....	7071
May 31, 1893,	Scarborough	Died, May 10, 1895; ae. 26.....	7072
June 11, 1893,	Whitaker .....	.....	7073
Sept. 23, 1893,	Coxe .....	.....	7074
May 28, 1893,	Leonard, W. A. ....	.....	7075
" 28, 1893,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	7076
May 21, 1893,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	7077
Jan. 15, 1893,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	7078
Dec. 18, 1893,	Potter, H. C.....	.....	7079
March 12, 1893,	Potter, H. C.....	7080
July 8, 1893,	Potter, H. C.....	Died, Oct. 4, 1895; ae. 29.....	7081
.....	7082
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May 20, 1894,	Potter, H. C.....	7084

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7155	Albert Ernest Osborn.....	Sept. 18,	Kendrick.
7156	Frederick Trotman Bennett	" 18,	Kendrick.
7157	Albert Rupert Llwyd	" 18,	Kendrick.
7158	Jefferson Davis Ritchey.....	" 18,	Tuttle.
7159	William Davies Rees.....	" 23,	Walker.
7160	William Marcus Purce	" 23,	Perry.
7161	Joseph Sheerin.....	" 23,	Leonard, W. A.
7162	Earl Henry Kényon.....	" 23,	Huntington.
7163	George N. Smith	" 23,	Huntington.
7164	William Herbert Hawken.....	" 23,	Huntington.
7165	George Henry Ottaway	" 23,	Huntington.
7166	Edmund Trew Simpson.....	" 25,	Hare.
7167	Solon Aurelius Whitcomb.....	" 28,	Paret.
7168	Robert Henri Barnes.....	Oct. 3,	Thomas.
7169	William Payson Evans.....	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
7170	Alvin Jonas Vanderbogart.....	Nov. 11,	Lyman.
7171	John Mills Gilbert.....	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
7172	Charles Albert Howells	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
7173	Robert Bruce Owens	" 17,	Lyman.
7174	Richard Mercer.....	" 20,	Burgess, A.
7175	John Spencer Turner	" 20,	Burgess, A.
7176	Charles L. Simmons.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7177	George W. Van Fossen.....	" 28,	Rullson.
7178	Allan Danvers Brown.....	" 30,	Bissell.
7179	John Newton McCormick	Dec. 4,	Randolph.
7180	Evan John Evans	" 4,	Perry.
7181	Kenneth Sylvan Guthrie	" 7,	Sessums.
7182	William Cash	" 14,	Davies.
7183	George Bernard Clarke	" 16,	Worthington.
7184	Conrad Rudolph Birnbach	" 16,	Atwill.
7185	William Edwin Evans.....	" 16,	Jackson.
7186	William Tobias Auman.....	" 17,	Rulison.
7187	George Harrison McGrew.....	" 18,	Potter, H. C.
7188	George A. Bartow	" 18,	Littlejohn.
7189	William Torey Howe.....	" 18,	Thompson.
7190	John Lawrence Watkins	" 18,	Davies.
7191	Anders Frederick Schultzberg.....	" 19,	McLaren.
7192	Emile Ulysee Brun.....	" 20,	Huntington.
7193	Charles Tefft Raynor.....	" 20,	Huntington.
7194	Frank Miller Baum.....	" 20,	Huntington.
7195	Arthur Lester Byron Curtiss.....	" 20,	Huntington.
7196	John Smiley	" 20,	Huntington.
7197	Owen C. Parry	— *	—
7198	Frank Sladen Greenhalgh.....	— †	—
7199	William McCormack.....	— †	—

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7200	William Farrand Livingston.....	Jan. 6,	Neely.
7201	Leroy Samuel Bates.....	" 8,	Neely.
7202	Olof Alfred Tofteen.....	" 8,	Burgess.
7203	Horace M. Carr.....	" 15,	Thomas.
7204	Joseph Baker.....	" 15,	Thomas.
7205	Frederick Gilderdale Parkinson	" 22,	Perry.
7206	William Williamson Page.....	" 29,	Potter, H. C.
7207	Cassius Miller Westlake.....	Feb. 2,	Davies.
7208	William Foster Jerome.....	" 2,	Davies.
7209	George N. Deyo	" 2,	Leonard, A.
7210	William Norman Guthrie.....	" 5,	Leonard, W. A.
7211	Simon Blinn Blunt.....	" 5,	Neely.
7212	Forest Hayden Blunt	" 5,	Neely.
7213	Walter Kenyon Lloyd	" 7,	Kendrick.
7214	James Winthrop Hegeman	" 9,	Potter, H. C.
7215	Anders Hugo Holmgren.....	" 24,	Clark.
7216	Frederick William Beecher	" 24,	Coxe.
7217	Thomas Elliot Calvert	" 24,	Coxe.
7218	Ernest V. Shayler	" 26,	Vincent.

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PRIEST.	BISHOP.	NOTES.	No.
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Sept. 23, 1894,	Kendrick.....	7156
May 16, 1894,	Kinsolving	7157
Sept. 25, 1893,	Tuttle	7158
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Dec. 21, 1893,	Huntington	7162
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Dec. 21, 1893,	Huntington	7164
" 22, 1894,	Huntington	7165
Sept. 20, 1894,	Hare	7166
Sept. 24, 1893,	Paret.....	7167
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May 29, 1893,	Littlejohn	7169
" 4, 1893,	Lyman	7170
" 19, 1894,	Doane, W. C.	7171
Feb. 3, 1893,	Doane, W. C.	7172
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Nov. 2, 1894,	Burgess, A.	7174
June 10, 1894,	Burgess, A.....	7175
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June 25, 1893,	Rullison	7177
" 9, 1895,	Hall	7178
March 16, 1893,	Randolph	7179
" 26, 1893,	Perry	7180
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Jan. 15, 1893,	Wilmer, R. H.....	7182
Sept. 24, 1893,	Worthington	7183
Feb. 14, 1894,	Atwill	7184
Jan. 15, 1893,	Wilmer, R. H.....	.....	7185
Feb. 19, 1895,	Rullison.....	.....	7186
March 28, 1893,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7187
.....	.....	.....	7188
May 13, 1895,	Thompson [Deacon.	7189
.....	Died, Aug. 20, 1894; ae. 39; while a	7190
Oct. 28, 1894,	Potter, H. C.....	7191
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March 9, 1895,	Huntington	7193
Dec. 21, 1893,	Huntington.....	7194
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March 9, 1895,	Huntington	7196
June 12, 1892,	Grafton	Emigrated	7197
June 12, 1892,	Lewis (Ontario) *..	7198
Dec. 18, 1892,	Littlejohn	7199

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June 18, 1894,	Neely	7200
Jan. —, 1894,	Johnston	7201
June 21, 1893,	Burgess	7202
" 25, 1894,	Thomas	7203
" 25, 1894,	Thomas .....	.....	7204
.....	.....	.....	7205
May 28, 1893,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7206
Feb. 14, 1894,	Lawrence .....	.....	7207
June 14, 1895,	Davies .....	.....	7208
.....	7209
May 27, 1894,	Vincent	7210
Nov. 28, 1893,	Burgess.....	7211
March 7, 1894,	Hall	7212
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March 24, 1894,	Potter, H. C.....	7214
Dec. 23, 1894,	Potter, H. C.....	7215
Feb. 14, 1894,	Coxe	7216
" 14, 1894,	Coxe	7217
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NO.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
7155	Albert Ernest Osborn.....	Sept. 18,	Kendrick.
7156	Frederick Trotman Bennett ..	" 18,	Kendrick.
7157	Albert Rupert Llwyd	" 18,	Kendrick.
7158	Jefferson Davis Ritchey.....	" 18,	Tuttle.
7159	William Davies Rees.....	" 23,	Walker.
7160	William Marcus Purce	" 23,	Perry.
7161	Joseph Sheerin.....	" 23,	Leonard, W. A.
7162	Karl Henry Kenyon.....	" 23,	Huntington.
7163	George N. Smith	" 23,	Huntington.
7164	William Herbert Hawken.....	" 23,	Huntington.
7165	George Henry Ottaway	" 26,	Huntington.
7166	Edmund Trow Simpson.....	" 25,	Hare.
7167	Solon Aurelius Whitcomb	" 28,	Paret.
7168	Robert Henri Barnes	Oct. 3,	Thomas.
7169	William Payson Evans.....	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
7170	Alvin Jonas Vanderlogart.....	Nov. 11,	Lyman.
7171	John Mills Gilbert.....	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
7172	Charles Albert Howells	" 16,	Doane, W. C.
7173	Robert Bruce Owens	" 17,	Lyman.
7174	Richard Mercer.....	" 20,	Burgess, A.
7175	John Spencer Turner	" 20,	Burgess, A.
7176	Charles L. Simmons.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7177	George W. Van Fossett.....	" 28,	Rullson.
7178	Allan Danvers Brown.....	" 30,	Bissell.
7179	John Newton McCormick	Dec. 4,	Randolph.
7180	Evan John Evans	" 4,	Perry.
7181	Kenneth Sylvan Guthrie	" 7,	Sessums.
7182	William Cuth	" 14,	Davies.
7183	George Bernard Clarke	" 16,	Worthington.
7184	Conrad Rudolph Birnbach	" 16,	Atwill.
7185	William Edwin Evans.....	" 16,	Jackson.
7186	William Tobias Annan	" 17,	Rullson.
7187	George Harrison McGrew.....	" 18,	Potter, H. C.
7188	George A. Bartow	" 18,	Littlejohn.
7189	William Torrey Howe.....	" 18,	Thompson.
7190	John Lawrence Watkins	" 18,	Davies.
7191	Anders Frederick Schultzberg ..	" 19,	McLaren.
7192	Emile Clyde Brun.....	" 20,	Huntington.
7193	Charles Tefft Raynor.....	" 20,	Huntington.
7194	Frank Miller Baum.....	" 20,	Huntington.
7195	Arthur Lester Byron Curtiss.....	" 20,	Huntington.
7196	John Smiley	" 20,	Huntington.
7197	Owen C. Parry.....	" 20,	Huntington.
7198	Frank Sladen Greenhalgh.....	" 20,	Huntington.
7199	William McCormack.....	" 20,	Huntington.

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7200	William Farrand Livingston.....	Jan. 6,	Neely.
7201	Leroy Samuel Bates.....	" 8,	Neely.
7202	Olaf Alfred Tufteen.....	" 8,	Burgess.
7203	Horace M. Carr.....	" 15,	Thomas.
7204	Joseph Baker.....	" 15,	Thomas.
7205	Frederick Gidderdale Parkinson ..	" 22,	Perry.
7206	William Williamson Page.....	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
7207	Cassius Miller Westlake.....	Feb. 2,	Davies.
7208	Wilbur Foster Jerome.....	" 2,	Davies.
7209	George N. Devo	" 2,	Leonard, A.
7210	William Norman Guthrie.....	" 5,	Leonard W. A.
7211	Simon Brian Blunt.....	" 5,	Neely.
7212	Forest Hayden Blunt	" 5,	Neely.
7213	Walter Kenyon Lloyd	" 7,	Kendrick.
7214	James W. Thompson Hegeman ..	" 9,	Potter, H. C.
7215	Anders Hugo Holmgren.....	" 24,	Clark.
7216	Frederick William Beecher	" 24,	Coxe.
7217	Thomas Elliot Calvert	" 24,	Coxe.
7218	Ernest V. Shavler	" 26,	Vincent.

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Sept. 23, 1894,	Kendrick.....	7156
May 16, 1894,	Kinsolving	7157
Sept. 25, 1893,	Tuttle	7158
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Dec. 21, 1893,	Huntington	7162
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Dec. 21, 1893,	Huntington	7164
" 22, 1894,	Huntington	7165
Sept. 20, 1894,	Hare	7166
Sept. 24, 1893,	Paret.....	.....	7167
.....	.....	.....	7168
May 29, 1893,	Littlejohn	7169
" 4, 1893,	Lyman	7170
" 19, 1894,	Doane, W. C.	7171
Feb. 3, 1893,	Doane, W. C.	7172
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Nov. 2, 1894,	Burgess, A.	7174
June 10, 1894,	Burgess, A.....	7175
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June 25, 1893,	Rulison	7177
" 9, 1895,	Hall	7178
March 16, 1893,	Randolph	7179
" 26, 1893,	Perry	7180
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Jan. 15, 1893,	Wilmer, R. H.....	7182
Sept. 24, 1893,	Worthington	7183
Feb. 14, 1894,	Atwill	7184
Jan. 15, 1893,	Wilmer, R. H.....	7185
Feb. 19, 1895,	Rulison.....	7186
March 28, 1893,	Potter, H. C.	7187
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May 12, 1895,	Thompson [Deacon.	7189
.....	Died, Aug. 20, 1894; ae. 39; while a	7190
Oct. 28, 1894,	Potter, H. C.....	7191
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March 9, 1895,	Huntington	7193
Dec. 21, 1893,	Huntington.....	7194
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March 9, 1895,	Huntington	7196
June 12, 1892,	Grafton	Emigrated	7197
June 12, 1892,	Lewis (Ontario) *..	7198
Dec. 18, 1892,	Littlejohn	7199

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June 18, 1894,	Neely	7200
Jan. —, 1894,	Johnston	7201
June 21, 1893,	Burgess	7202
" 25, 1894,	Thomas	7203
" 25, 1894,	Thomas	7204
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May 28, 1893,	Potter, H. C.....	7206
Feb. 14, 1894,	Lawrence	7207
June 14, 1895,	Davies	7208
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May 27, 1894,	Vincent	7210
Nov. 26, 1893,	Burgess.....	7211
March 7, 1894,	Hall	7212
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March 24, 1894,	Potter, H. C.....	7214
Dec. 23, 1894,	Potter, H. C.....	7215
Feb. 14, 1894,	Coxe	7216
" 14, 1894,	Coxe	7217
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No.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
7289	Charles Y. Grimes.....	June 7,	Spalding.
7290	Julius Gassauer.....	" 11,	Whitaker.
7291	Walter Henry Marshall.....	" 11,	Whitaker.
7292	William Newbold Bailey.....	" 11,	Whitaker.
7293	John Summerfield Bunting.....	" 11,	Whitaker.
7294	Maximo Felix Duty.....	" 11,	Whitaker.
7295	John Pilkington Bagley.....	" 11,	Whitaker.
7296	Alexander Renshaw DeWitt.....	" 11,	Whitaker.
7297	S. G. Morton Montgomery.....	" 11,	Whitaker.
7298	Joseph Sakunosin Motoda.....	" 11,	Whitaker.
7299	William Howard Falkner.....	" 11,	Whitaker.
7300	David L. Ferris.....	" 11,	Huntington.
7301	Thomas Bennington Barlow.....	" 11,	Seymour.
7302	C. Walter MacWilliams.....	" 11,	Johnston.
7303	Marvin Hill Dana.....	" 11,	Doane, W. C.
7304	Frank Norwood Bouck.....	" 11,	Doane, W. C.
7305	George Herbert Dennison.....	" 15,	Whitaker.
7306	James Whaley Diggles.....	" 15,	Whitaker.
7307	Henry Riley Gummey.....	" 15,	Whitaker.
7308	Horace Andrews Walburn.....	" 15,	Whitaker.
7309	Robert Codman.....	" 15,	Whitaker.
7310	William Harry Fenton Smith.....	" 15,	Kendrick.
7311	Albert Richard Edbrooke.....	" 18,	Sesuma.
7312	Jesse Sketchley Moore.....	" 18,	Sesuma.
7313	F. Cecil Baylis.....	" 18,	Gray.
7314	William Hamilton Stewart.....	" 18,	Whittle.
7315	Otho Fairfield Humphreys.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7316	Robert Bell.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7317	Edward Lincoln Atkinson.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7318	William Bayard Hale.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7319	Anders Wilhelm Sundelof.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7320	Oscar Lieber Mitcheil.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7321	Asaph Swift Weeks.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7322	John Alexander O'Meara.....	" 23,	Dudley.
7323	Charles B. Bell Sparks.....	" 23,	Dudley.
7324	Thomas Perry Baker.....	" 23,	Whittle.
7325	Arthur Kirkby Fenton.....	" 23,	Whittle.
7326	Charles Henry Lee.....	" 23,	Whittle.
7327	Thomas Deane Lewis.....	" 23,	Whittle.
7328	Arthur C. Over Thompson.....	" 23,	Whittle.
7329	David Funsten Ward.....	" 23,	Whittle.
7330	Henry Wingate.....	" 23,	Whittle.
7331	Thomas Smith Lighthurn.....	" 23,	Peterkin.
7332	Fredrick Goodwin Ribble.....	" 23,	Randolph.
7333	William Archer Rutherford Goodwin.....	" 23,	Randolph.
7334	James Arthur Morrow Richey.....	" 24,	Grafton.
7335	Hugh Latimer Burleson.....	" 24,	Grafton.
7336	Ernest Albert Pressey.....	" 24,	Davies.
7337	J. Neville Thompson.....	" 24,	Gray.
7338	Thomas Jacob Brown.....	" 25,	Thomas.
7339	Ernest Dray.....	" 25,	Thomas.
7340	Heman Frank Parshal.....	" 25,	Thomas.
7341	Herbert C. Bosser.....	" 25,	Thomas.
7342	James Townsend Russell.....	" 25,	Leonard, W. A.
7343	Lee Huntington Young.....	" 25,	Leonard, W. A.
7344	William Henry Gills Lewis.....	" 25,	Leonard, W. A.
7345	Alfred L. Moore.....	" 25,	Leonard, W. A.
7346	Isaac Wayne Hughes.....	" 25,	Watson.
7347	Horatio W. P. Holson.....	" 25,	Wells.
7348	James Benton Warner.....	" 25,	Rulison.
7349	James Macee Blackwell.....	" 25,	Rulison.
7350	Otto Brandt.....	" 25,	Rulison.
7351	James Daniel Miller.....	" 27,	Lyman.
7352	John Johnson.....	" 29,	Gilbert.
7353	Frank M. Roberts.....	July 2,	Vincent.
7354	Frank W. Bope.....	" 2,	Vincent.
7355	Dwight Benton.....	" 2,	Vincent.
7356	R. A. Smith.....	" 5,	Randolph.
7357	Frank Durant.....	" 9,	Graves, A. R.
7358	Francis M. Bacon.....	" 9,	Graves, A. R.

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Dec. 20, 1893,	Spalding	Emigrated to England	7219
June 9, 1893,	Randolph	7220
March 9, 1895,	Huntington	7221
" 9, 1895,	Huntington .....	.....	7222
June 10, 1894,	Whitaker .....	.....	7223
.....	.....	.....	7224
Feb. 24, 1894,	Paret .....	.....	7225
Dec. 23, 1893,	Scarborough	Died, July 5, 1895; ac. 53.....	7226
.....	.....	.....	7227
April 16, 1894,	Wilmer, R. H. ....	.....	7228
May 18, 1894,	Lawrence .....	.....	7229
" 18, 1894,	Lawrence .....	.....	7230
.....	.....	.....	7231
.....	.....	Died, July —, 1895; ac. 40.....	7232
Nov. 10, 1893,	Whittle .....	.....	7233
May 20, 1894,	Thomas .....	.....	7234
" 20, 1894,	Thomas .....	.....	7235
" 22, 1894,	Scarborough .....	.....	7236
" 20, 1894,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7237
June 27, 1894,	Huntington .....	.....	7238
March 18, 1894,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7239
Nov. 28, 1893,	Doane, W. C. ....	.....	7240
May 20, 1894,	Perry .....	.....	7241
June 24, 1894,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7242
Feb. 11, 1894,	Starkey .....	.....	7243
May 20, 1894,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7244
Sept. 21, 1894,	Neely	7245
May 18, 1894,	Worthington	7246
" 20, 1894,	Potter, H. C.	7247
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May 20, 1894,	Potter, H. C.	7249
" 20, 1894,	Potter, H. C.	7250
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March 17, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7252
July 11, 1894,	Tuttle	7253
Dec. 30, 1893,	Neely	7254
May 20, 1894,	Littlejohn .....	.....	7255
Dec. 29, 1893,	Littlejohn .....	.....	7256
.....	.....	.....	7257
May 18, 1894,	Niles .....	.....	7258
May 23, 1894,	Starkey .....	.....	7259
Sept. 16, 1894,	Coleman .....	.....	7260
May 27, 1894,	Coleman .....	.....	7261
" 26, 1894,	Potter, H. C.	7262
" 26, 1894,	Coxe	7263
" 26, 1894,	Coxe	7264
Sept. 23, 1894,	Coxe	7265
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March 10, 1895,	Coxe	7267
May 13, 1894,	Nicholson	7268
March 10, 1895,	Nicholson	7269
Nov. 12, 1893,	Davies .....	.....	7270
Dec. 24, 1893,	Whitehead .....	.....	7271
" 24, 1893,	Paret .....	.....	7272
Jan. 7, 1894,	Rullson .....	.....	7273
Dec. 29, 1893,	Littlejohn .....	.....	7274
May 23, 1894,	Scarborough .....	.....	7275
June 5, 1894,	Scarborough .....	.....	7276
Sept. 20, 1893,	Quintard .....	.....	7277
April 29, 1895,	Quintard .....	.....	7278
Feb. 18, 1894,	Nicholson .....	.....	7279
.....	.....	.....	7280
Jan. 27, 1894,	Williams, J. ....	.....	7281
March 10, 1895,	Nicholson .....	.....	7282
May 29, 1894,	Williams, J. ....	.....	7283
June 10, 1894,	Whipple .....	.....	7284
May 29, 1894,	Williams, J. ....	.....	7285
Jan. 27, 1894,	Williams, J.	7286
Dec. 21, 1893,	Neely	7287
May 19, 1894,	Doane, W. C.	7288

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No.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
7359	Samuel Edwin Busser.....	July 11,	Thomas.
7360	Ernest Willoughby Jewell.....	" 16,	Gillespie.
7361	Joseph Hall Spearing.....	" 26,	Seasums.
7362	Frank B. Cole.....	Aug. 3,	Clark.
7363	Herbert B. Trussel.....	" 3,	Clark.
7364	George Cadell Mitchell.....	" 20,	Nichols.
7365	William Albert Mulligan.....	" 26,	Davies.
7366	Vicente Brande.....	" 28,	Peterkin.
7367	James Woodward Thompson.....	" 29,	Leonard, W. A.
7368	Antonio Fraga.....	Sept. 1,	Peterkin.
7369	Emil Lund.....	" 5,	Kendrick.
7370	A. V. Cabral.....	" 12,	Peterkin.
7371	Bonaventura de Sousa e Oliveira.....	" 14,	Peterkin.
7372	Baptiste Pahajina Lambert.....	" 19,	Hare.
7373	Thomas Hall Heuley.....	" 20,	Gillespie.
7374	Greenough White.....	" 21,	Williams, J.
7375	Henry Draper Speakman.....	" 21,	Coleman.
7376	Edward Tourtellot Carroll.....	" 21,	Doane, W. C.
7377	Frederick Warren Oakes.....	" 22,	Spalding.
7378	Wilmot Stewart Holmes.....	" 24,	Capers.
7379	William Andrew Henderson.....	" 24,	Paret.
7380	William Taylor Jackson.....	" 29,	Perry.
7381	George William Preston.....	Oct. 1,	Vincent.
7382	Thomas James Lacey.....	" 1,	Vincent.
7383	David Cady Wright.....	" 1,	Vincent.
7384	Uriel Heber Spencer.....	" 8,	Worthington.
7385	E. Starling Gunn.....	" 14,	Randall.
7386	Charles Winfred Douglas.....	" 15,	Huntington.
7387	Parker Fenno.....	" 15,	Huntington.
7388	George Wharton McMullin.....	" 15,	Huntington.
7389	Charles E. S. Rasay.....	" 15,	Huntington.
7390	George William Thomas.....	" 17,	Paret.
7391	George William Davenport.....	" 17,	Paret.
7392	William Bruce McPherson.....	" 17,	Paret.
7393	David Russ Judd.....	" 17,	Kendrick.
7394	James Frederick Talbot.....	" 17,	Kendrick.
7395	James Holmes McGuinness.....	" 17,	Kendrick.
7396	William Henry Morrison.....	" 17,	Kendrick.
7397	Dewi Herbert McAlpine Jones.....	" 28,	Spalding.
7398	Chi-Sium Hu.....	Nov. 1,	Graves, F. R.
7399	Sue-Chiang Hwang.....	" 1,	Graves, F. R.
7400	Frederick North Tunmon.....	" 10,	Hare.
7401	Joseph Thomas Ewing.....	" 12,	Davies.
7402	Thomas Edward Winecoff.....	" 12,	Thompson.
7403	William Stoddert Dearing.....	" 18,	Nichols.
7404	John R. Brooks.....	" 26,	Randolph.
7405	Joseph Mayon.....	Dec. 1,	Brooke.
7406	Albert Carlton Monk.....	" 14,	Kendrick.
7407	Edward Earle.....	" 14,	Grafton.
7408	Frederick A. Fetter.....	" 21,	Cheshire.
7409	Charles Fetter.....	" 21,	Cheshire.
7410	Daniel Earnest Johnson.....	" 22,	Spalding.
7411	Isaiah P. Daniels.....	" 26,	Pierce.
7412	Leonidas J. H. Wooden.....	" 27,	Thomas.
7413	Thomas Gilbert Lasee.....	" 29,	Littlejohn.
7414	Austin Francis Morgan.....	" 31,	Knickerbocker.
7415	John Baptist Mancebo.....	" 31,	Capers.
7416	James Martin Baker.....	" "	Grafton.
7417	Charles William Hodder.....	" "	"
7418	Hubert Edmund Bowers.....	" "	"

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7419	Edward Seymour Thomas.....	Jan. 7,	Clark.
7420	Philip Williams Fauntleroy.....	" "	Tuttle.
7421	George Washington Cobb.....	" "	Tuttle.
7422	Albert Martin.....	" 18,	Seasums.
7423	Augustus Christian Fiedler.....	" 18,	Brooke.

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1894,	Thomas	7359
1894,	Gillespie	7360
1894,	Seesums	7361
1895,	Coleman	7362
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1895,	Davies	7365
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1894,	Leonard, W. A.	7367
.....	7368
.....	Deposed, April 13, 1894; while a Deacon	7369
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.....	Deposed, April 14, 1895; while a Deacon	7371
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1894,	Lawrence	7376
1894,	Spalding	7377
1894,	Capers	7378
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1894,	Perry	7380
1894,	Vincent	7381
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1894,	Worthington	7384
1894,	Whittle	7385
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1895,	Huntington	7389
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1894,	Potter, H. C.	7393
1894,	Potter, H. C.	7394
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1894,	Potter, H. C.	7396
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1894,	Davies	7401
1895,	Thompson	7402
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1894,	Gillespie	7407
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1895,	Spalding	7410
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1895,	Vincent	7414
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1895,	Grafton	7416
1895,	Rulison	7417
1895,	Huntington	7418
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1894,	Lawrence	7419
1895,	Tuttle	7420
.....	7421
1895,	Seesums	7422
1894,	Brooke	7423

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No.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
7424	Edwin Witherell	Jan. 16,	Brooke.
7425	Fausto Orihuela	" 31,	Kendrick.
7426	Manuel M. Perez	" 31,	Kendrick.
7427	Walter Bird Clark	Feb. 2,	Thomas.
7428	Henry Harris	" 4,	Brooke.
7429	Guy Wilbur Miner	" 4,	Gilbert.
7430	John Alfred Taula	" 11,	Potter, H. C.
7431	Romilly Francis Humphries	" 11,	Potter, H. C.
7432	Lewis C. Baker	" 14,	Whitaker.
7433	Robert McKay	" 14,	Whitaker.
7434	James Parker Scribner Otterson	" 14,	Lawrence.
7435	Chester Mansfield Smith	" 16,	Spalding.
7436	Francis King	" 18,	Ferguson.
7437	Thomas Cogdell Wetmore	" 21,	Cheshire.
7438	William Dullam Morgan	" 24,	Paret.
7439	William Hanson Bean	" 25,	Potter, H. C.
7440	Robert Alexander Tuft	March 4,	Scarborough.
7441	Richard Hodges Gushoe	" 8,	Nichols.
7442	Alfred Kuhn	" 11,	Burgess, A.
7443	Harry S. Lancaster	" 15,	Randolph.
7444	John Langley Whitty	April 1,	Burgess, A.
7445	John May Bartholomew	" 1,	Potter, H. C.
7446	Irenaeus Henkel Tront	" 10,	Gallor.
7447	William Lindsay	" 15,	Potter, H. C.
7448	Charles Reuben Bailey	" 20,	Niles.
7449	Henry Aaron Dexter	" 20,	Barker.
7450	S. Bacon Hillock	May 10,	Gallor.
7451	Abram Linwood Urban	" 15,	Rullson.
7452	Edward J. McHenry	" 15,	Rullson.
7453	William Edward Ambrose Lewis	" 16,	Davies.
7454	Thomas John Sloan	" 16,	Kinsolving.
7455	Samuel Ebenezer Hanger	" 19,	Hall.
7456	Frank Howard Nelson	" 19,	Coxe.
7457	Harry Sherman Longley	" 19,	Doane, W. C.
7458	George William Farrar	" 19,	Doane, W. C.
7459	Frederic Henry Farrar	" 19,	Doane, W. C.
7460	Robert Bootman Kimber	" 20,	Littlejohn.
7461	Adrian Randall Bennett Hegman	" 20,	Littlejohn.
7462	Alfred Hogden Brown	" 20,	Littlejohn.
7463	Horatio Watts Maguire	" 20,	Littlejohn.
7464	Joseph Henry Ivie	" 20,	Littlejohn.
7465	Frederick Alexander MacMillen	" 20,	Littlejohn.
7466	John George Newson	" 20,	Littlejohn.
7467	Cornelius Stevenson Abbott, Jr.	" 20,	Starkey.
7468	Horace Weeks Jones	" 20,	Paret.
7469	William Leveering Devries	" 20,	Paret.
7470	George Richardson Nelson	" 20,	Paret.
7471	George Valerie Giffreath	" 20,	Cheshire.
7472	Nathan Adolphus Seagle	" 20,	Cheshire.
7473	Albert R. B. Whitecomb	" 20,	McLaren.
7474	Edgar M. Thompson	" 20,	McLaren.
7475	Nicholas Bayard Ulrich	" 20,	McLaren.
7476	Thomas Christopher Eglin	" 20,	Nicholson.
7477	Henry Sidney Foster	" 20,	Nicholson.
7478	Charles Wellington Robinson	" 20,	Nicholson.
7479	Frank Hillard Barton	" 20,	Nicholson.
7480	Otto Joel Sevel	" 20,	Nicholson.
7481	Francis Ver	" 20,	Nicholson.
7482	Clarence David Morris Frankel	" 20,	Nicholson.
7483	Robert Rogers	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
7484	George Charles Groves	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
7485	John Campbell	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
7486	Charles Smith Lewis	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
7487	Kemper Bacock	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
7488	Frederick Bingham Howden	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
7489	James Abbott Smith	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
7490	Herbert Shipman	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
7491	John Mitchell Page	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
7492	George Lawrence Nicholas	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
7493	Herbert Stanley Smith	" 20,	Potter, H. C.

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.....	For the Church in Mexico	7425
.....	For the Church in Mexico	7426
Feb. 3, 1895,	Thomas	7427
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Feb. 3, 1895,	Thomas	7429
" 10, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7430
Dec. 23, 1894,	Potter, H. C.	7431
Feb. 21, 1895,	Whitaker	7432
" 21, 1895,	Whitaker	7433
.....	7434
May 1, 1895,	Spalding	7435
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June 9, 1895,	Paret	7438
Oct. 19, 1894,	Talbot, E.	7439
Dec. 23, 1894,	Coleman	7440
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April 28, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7445
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June 29, 1895,	Niles	7448
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Feb. 13, 1895,	Gallor	7450
June 13, 1895,	Rulison	7451
July 16, 1895,	Davies	7452
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June 8, 1895,	Doane, W. C.	7457
" 8, 1895,	Doane, W. C.	7458
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Sept. 3, 1895,	Whitehead	7460
Dec. 23, 1894,	Coleman	7461
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March 7, 1895,	Starkey	7463
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Dec. 23, 1894,	Coleman	7465
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Dec. 23, 1894,	Worthington	7467
June 9, 1895,	Paret	7468
Dec. 6, 1894,	Paret	7469
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May 19, 1895,	Cheshire	7471
Aug. 6, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7472
Jan. 22, 1895,	McLaren	7473
" 22, 1895,	McLaren .....	.....	7474
" 22, 1895,	McLaren .....	.....	7475
March 10, 1895,	Nicholson	7476
Dec. 20, 1895,	Nicholson	7477
March 10, 1895,	Nicholson	7478
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Dec. 22, 1895,	Nicholson	7481
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June 9, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7483
" 9, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7484
March 17, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7485
Dec. 9, 1894,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7486
April 17, 1895,	Davies .....	.....	7487
Dec. 23, 1894,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7488
June 9, 1895,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7489
March 17, 1895,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7490
Feb. 10, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7491
Oct. 7, 1894,	Potter, H. C.	7492
June 9, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7493

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No	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
7494	Frederick Irving Collins	May 30,	Potter, H. C.
7495	Jaryis Worden	" 30,	Potter, H. C.
7496	Livingston Schuyler	" 30,	Potter, H. C.
7497	James Edwards Freeman	" 30,	Potter, H. C.
7498	Phillip Schuyler	" 30,	Potter, H. C.
7499	Leslie Fenton Potter	" 30,	Potter, H. C.
7500	Lester Bradner, Jr.	" 30,	Potter, H. C.
7501	Henry Martin Saville	" 30,	Potter, H. C.
7502	Easton Earl Madeira	" 30,	Potter, H. C.
7503	Marion Law	" 30,	Potter, H. C.
7504	David Jones.	" 30,	Whitehead.
7505	William Lee Hall Benton	" 30,	Whitehead.
7506	Charles Harris Hayes	" 23,	Starkey.
7507	William Cleveland Hicks	" 23,	Starkey.
7508	William Wallace Lockwood	" 26,	Doane, W. C.
7509	Stanley Frederick William Symonds	" 27,	Coleman.
7510	K. Seltz	" 27,	McKim.
7511	Richard Cullen Jeter	" 29,	Jackson.
7512	Albert Edward Côté	June 2,	Grafton
7513	Harry Wood Blackman	" 2,	Grafton.
7514	Edgar Foster Davis	" 4,	Niles.
7515	Arthur James Gamcock	" 6,	Williams, J.
7516	Edward John Haughton	" 6,	Williams, J.
7517	Kirkland Huske	" 6,	Williams, J.
7518	Wolcott Webster Ellsworth	" 6,	Williams, J.
7519	James McLaughlin	" 6,	Williams, J.
7520	William Carson Shaw	" 6,	Williams, J.
7521	John Fields Plumb	" 6,	Williams, J.
7522	Elmer Truesdale Merrill	" 6,	Williams, J.
7523	Charles Norman Shepard	" 6,	Williams, J.
7524	Reginald Victor Bury	" 6,	Williams, J.
7525	Vincent Owen Penley	" 6,	Spalding.
7526	Charles Hall Cooke	" 6,	Spalding.
7527	Samuel R. Collady	" 10,	Whitaker.
7528	Francis McFarrich	" 10,	Whitaker.
7529	Franklin Nelson Strader	" 10,	Whitaker.
7530	John Belle Van Fleet	" 10,	Whitaker.
7531	Herbert Parrish	" 10,	Whitaker.
7532	Francis Richard Bateman	" 10,	Potter, H. C.
7533	Lucian Waterman Rogers	" 12,	Clark.
7534	Charles Davis Burrows	" 12,	Clark.
7535	Harry Howe Bogert	" 12,	Clark.
7536	George William Gilmour	" 14,	Weed.
7537	Harry Steele	" 15,	Whipple.
7538	Robert Roy McVettie	" 15,	Whipple.
7539	Charles F. Kite	" 15,	Whipple.
7540	William Harmon Van Allen	" 15,	Huntington.
7541	George Fletcher Potter	" 15,	Huntington.
7542	David Benton Mathews	" 15,	Huntington.
7543	Christopher John Lambert	" 15,	Huntington.
7544	Albert Edward Bentley	" 15,	Huntington.
7545	George Maxwell	" 15,	Huntington.
7546	Burr Miller Worden	" 15,	Huntington.
7547	Charles Lewis Shattery	" 20,	Lawrence.
7548	Robert Le Blanc Lynch	" 20,	Lawrence.
7549	Robert Walker	" 20,	Lawrence.
7550	George Winthrop Sargeant	" 20,	Lawrence.
7551	Henry Bradford Washburn	" 20,	Lawrence.
7552	Jonathan Edward Johnson	" 20,	Lawrence.
7553	Theodore Payne Purston	" 20,	Lawrence.
7554	Arthur Lewis Bumpus	" 20,	Lawrence.
7555	Arthur Nelson Taft	" 20,	Lawrence.
7556	Marshall Everett Mott	" 20,	Lawrence.
7557	William Sumner Winslow Raymond	" 20,	Lawrence.
7558	Clifford Gray Twombly	" 20,	Lawrence.
7559	Francis Ellsworth Webster	" 20,	Lawrence.
7560	Wilford Lawrence Hoopes	" 20,	Lawrence.
7561	Frederick Widmer Cornell	" 21,	Seymour.
7562	Walter Theodore Cavell	" 24,	Niles.
7563	George Lycey Freebern	" 24,	Leonard, W.

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.....	For the Church in Mexico	7425
.....	For the Church in Mexico	7426
Feb. 3, 1895,	Thomas	7427
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Feb. 3, 1895,	Thomas	7429
" 10, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7430
Dec. 23, 1894,	Potter, H. C.	7431
Feb. 21, 1895,	Whitaker	7432
" 21, 1895,	Whitaker	7433
.....	7434
May 1, 1895,	Spalding	7435
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June 9, 1895,	Paret	7438
Oct. 19, 1894,	Talbot, E.	7439
Dec. 23, 1894,	Coleman	7440
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April 28, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7445
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June 29, 1895,	Niles	7448
.....	7449
Feb. 13, 1895,	Gallor	7450
June 13, 1895,	Rullison	7451
July 16, 1895,	Davies	7452
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June 8, 1895,	Doane, W. C.	7457
" 8, 1895,	Doane, W. C.	7458
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Sept. 3, 1895,	Whitehead	7460
Dec. 23, 1894,	Coleman	7461
.....	7462
March 7, 1895,	Starkey	7463
.....	7464
Dec. 23, 1894,	Coleman	7465
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Dec. 23, 1894,	Worthington	7467
June 9, 1895,	Paret	7468
Dec. 6, 1894,	Paret	7469
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May 19, 1895,	Cheshire	7471
Aug. 6, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7472
Jan. 22, 1895,	McLaren	7473
" 22, 1895,	McLaren .....	.....	7474
" 22, 1895,	McLaren .....	.....	7475
March 10, 1895,	Nicholson	7476
Dec. 20, 1895,	Nicholson	7477
March 10, 1895,	Nicholson	7478
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Dec. 22, 1895,	Nicholson	7481
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June 9, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7483
" 9, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7484
March 17, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7485
Dec. 9, 1894,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7486
April 17, 1895,	Davies .....	.....	7487
Dec. 23, 1894,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7488
June 9, 1895,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7489
March 17, 1895,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7490
Feb. 10, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7491
Oct. 7, 1894,	Potter, H. C.	7492
June 9, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7493

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No.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
7564	John Farnell Keene	June 24,	Leonard, W. A.
7565	William Foster Pierce	" 24,	Leonard, W. A.
7566	Horace Percy Silver	" 24,	Worthington.
7567	Charles Herbert Young	" 24,	Worthington.
7568	Charles Grinnell Cogley	" 25,	Paret.
7569	Alfred Adino Pruden	" 29,	Whittle.
7570	Austin Brockenbough Chinn	" 29,	Whittle.
7571	John Dominique La Mothe	" 29,	Whittle.
7572	Edward William Cowling	" 29,	Whittle.
7573	James Fley Aitkens	" 29,	Whittle.
7574	Andrew Glassell Grinnan	" 29,	Whittle.
7575	Zebulan Skinner Farland	" 29,	Whittle.
7576	Thomas Semmes	" 29,	Whittle.
7577	Hickman Spiller Simmerman	" 29,	Whittle.
7578	Robert Sanders Coupland	" 29,	Whittle.
7579	Walter DeForest Johnson	" 29,	Whittle.
7580	John Smallwood Douglas	" 29,	Whittle.
7581	Wilson Page Chrisman	" 29,	Peterkin.
7582	William Theodotus Capers	" 29,	Capers.
7583	John Totty	July 1,	Whitaker.
7584	Joseph Bragg Dunn	" 1,	Whittle.
7585	James Fitts Plummer	" 1,	Whittle.
7586	John Howard Perkins	" 1,	Gilbert.
7587	Charles Thomas Walkley	" 8,	Vincent.
7588	Louis Ernest Durr	" 8,	Vincent.
7589	William Coney	" 8,	Rullison.
7590	Arthur Van Camp Francis	" 29,	Brooke.
7591	George C. Hunting	" ?	Leonard, A.
7592	Irving Todd	Aug. 5,	Thomas.
7593	Joseph Herbert Woodward	" 19,	Thompson.
7594	John M. Northrup	" 24,	Gallor.
7595	Henry Ernest Robbins	" 31,	Graves, A. R.
7596	Herman Chamberlain St. Clair	Sept. 9,	Nichols.
7597	Arthur Davies	" 19,	Coxe.
7598	William Ambrose Dennis	" 19,	Kinsolving.
7599	Thomas Anderson Conover	" 21,	Talbot, E.
7600	John Clarkson Winter	" 23,	Spalding.
7601	Francis Milton Banfil	" 23,	Nicholson.
7602	Frederick Constable Roberts	" 23,	Nicholson.
7603	John Hester Caughn	" 23,	Coxe.
7604	Homer M. Hood	" 23,	Gilbert.
7605	Robert Augustus Lee	" 30,	Capers.
7606	John Withers Heal	" 30,	Paret.
7607	William Roderick McCutcheon	Oct. 2,	Vincent.
7608	Reuben Meredith	" 7,	Randolph.
7609	Stephen Decatur Phillips	" 8,	Randolph.
7610	John C. Dennis	" 8,	Randolph.
7611	Dwight A. Parce	" 11,	Huntington.
7612	Henry Gee Taylor	" 21,	Potter, H. C.
7613	Anthony Colby Hardy	Nov. 1,	Niles.
7614	Hu Chi Hsui	" 1,	Graves, F. R.
7615	Hwang Suel Chang	" 1,	Graves, F. R.
7616	Adolphus Whitfield Cheatham	" 4,	Tuttle.
7617	Robert Henry Ferguson	" 17,	Lawrence.
7618	John Brown	Dec. 6,	Leonard, W. A.
7629	Ernest Judson Craft	" 6,	Leonard, W. A.
7620	John Knox Black	" 9,	Burgess.
7621	Bertram E. Brown	" 9,	Jackson.
7622	Rollin Alger Sawyer	" 21,	Coleman.
7623	John George Robinson	" 23,	Lawrence.
7624	Edward Lambe Parsons	" 23,	Lawrence.
7625	George Thomas Dowling	" 23,	Lawrence.
7626	Warren E. L. Ward	" 23,	Potter, H. C.
7627	James Marion Robertson	" 23,	Potter, H. C.
7628	Charles Bennett Johnes	" 23,	Coleman.
7629	Hisanajo Okal	" 23,	McKim.
7630	Kikusaburo Odake	" 23,	McKim.
7631	Tusuku Yamada	" 23,	McKim.
7632	George H. Hooper	" 26,	Starkey.
7633	Samuel C. Hodgman	" 27,	Gray.

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Jan. 1, 1895,	Vincent	7494
Dec. 23, 1894,	Potter, H. C.	7495
April 29, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7496
Dec. 23, 1894,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7497
" 23, 1894,	Tuttle .....	.....	7498
" 23, 1894,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7499
May 30, 1895,	Lawrence	7500
Nov. 21, 1894,	Atwill	7501
June 9, 1895,	Potter, H. C.	7502
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Feb. 24, 1895,	Whitehead	7504
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Dec. 26, 1894,	Starkey	7506
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June 9, 1895,	Coleman	7508
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.....	Deposed, 1894; while a Deacon	7511
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July 9, 1895,	Niles	7513
March 9, 1895,	Williams, J.	7514
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March 9, 1895,	Williams, J.	7516
" 9, 1895,	Williams, J.	7517
June 13, 1895,	Rulison	7518
May 5, 1895,	Wells .....	.....	7519
" 20, 1895,	Williams, J. ....	.....	7520
March 9, 1895,	Williams, J. ....	.....	7521
" 23, 1895,	Williams, J. ....	.....	7522
.....	.....	.....	7523
March 8, 1895,	Spalding	7524
June 11, 1895,	Coxe	7525
" 9, 1895,	Whitaker	7526
" 9, 1895,	Whitaker	7527
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April 21, 1895,	Perry	7529
June 9, 1895,	Whitaker	7530
Dec. 23, 1894,	Potter, H. C.	7531
June 8, 1895,	Lawrence .....	.....	7532
April 2, 1895,	Coleman .....	.....	7533
May 24, 1895,	Coleman .....	.....	7534
.....	7535
May 30, 1895,	Gilbert	7536
" 19, 1895,	Gilbert	7537
June 9, 1895,	Whipple	7538
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Dec. 21, 1895,	Huntington	7545
June 7, 1895,	Huntington	7546
" 8, 1895,	Lawrence	7547
" 8, 1895,	Lawrence .....	.....	7548
" 8, 1895,	Lawrence .....	.....	7549
Dec 19, 1894,	Whitehead .....	.....	7550
.....	.....	.....	7551
June 8, 1895,	Lawrence .....	.....	7552
" 16, 1895,	Whipple .....	.....	7553
" 8, 1895,	Lawrence .....	.....	7554
" 8, 1895,	Potter, H. C. ....	.....	7555
" 8, 1895,	Lawrence .....	.....	7556
April 2, 1895,	Coleman .....	.....	7557
June 8, 1895,	Lawrence	7558
" 8, 1895,	Lawrence	7559
" 8, 1895,	Lawrence	7560
" 6, 1895,	Seymour	7561
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June 30, 1895,	Leonard, W. A.	7563

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NO.	NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
7634	Henry Easter.....	Dec. 30,	Quintard.
7635	Colin Sharp Bassett	" 30,	Quintard.
7636	Russell Kane Smith	" 30,	Quintard.
7637	Charles Wordsworth Bartlett	?	Johnston.
7638	A V C Cartier	?	?
7639	Arnoldus Miller	*	
7640	Ernest Frederick Smith	†	

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7641	Harry Roberts Carson.....	Jan. 1,	Seasume.
7642	John Coulson Skottowe.....	" 13,	Talbot, E.
7643	Alfred Osmond Worthing	" 13,	Talbot, E.
7644	Frank Anderson Ridout.....	" 13,	Randolph
7645	Henry Alfred Brown	" 20,	Nichols.
7646	Walter H Ayres	" 23,	McLaren.
7647	Ernest Melville	" 25,	Doane, W. C.
7648	George M. Davidson	" 25,	Doane, W. C.
7649	Charles R. Abbot.....	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
7650	Henry Newman Lawrence.....	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
7651	Lewis B. Edwards	Feb. 21,	Whitaker.
7652	Edward Green Hawkes	" 21,	Whitaker.
7653	Julius G. Bierck	" 21,	Whitaker.
7654	Francis Cope Harshorne	" 21,	Whitaker.
7655	Robert Bell Burke.....	" 21,	Whitaker.
7656	William C. Cummings	" 24,	Ferguson.
7657	John Keble Burleson	?	Grafton.
7658	Herbert Cushing Tolman.....	March 3,	Nicholson.
7659	Annesley Thomas Young	" 3,	Nicholson.
7660	David Henry Clarkson.....	" 3,	Nicholson.
7661	John Samuel Wilson	" 8,	Coxe.
7662	Gilbert William Laidlaw.....	" 9,	Huntington.
7663	Frederick Joseph Kinsman	" 10,	Niles.
7664	Philip Henry Lindley	" 10,	Brewer.
7665	Samuel V. Salinas	" 10,	McLaren †
7666	Virginia Wren	" 20,	Randolph.
7667	Henry Clay Eastman	" 22,	Stymour.
7668	Walter E. Dakin.....	" 23,	Quintard.
7669	George B. Norton	" 27,	Atwill.
7670	William Alexander Barr	April 17,	Randolph.
7671	Clarence Edward Webb	" 25,	Perry.
7672	Philip Phillips	" 28,	Potter, H. C.
7673	Frederick August Rochl	May 8,	Seasume.
7674	Merritt D. Hinton	" 12,	Thompson.
7675	Francis Henry Smith	" 22,	Burgess, A.
7676	Everett Pepperell Smith	" 23,	Potter, H. C.
7677	Henry Edward Renault	" 24,	Coleman.
7678	John M. Chittin	" 26,	McLaren
7679	Thomas J. Oliver Curran	" 26,	McLaren
7680	Edward L. Roland	" 26,	McLaren
7681	William Lawrence Davis	" 29,	Peterkin
7682	Edmund Duckworth	June 2,	Tuttle.
7683	Stephen Howard Alling	" 5,	Williams, J.
7684	Jerry Knobe Cook	" 5,	Williams, J.
7685	John Davis Ewing	" 5,	Williams, J.
7686	Daniel Trumbull Huntington	" 5,	Williams, J.
7687	Charles Thompson Matheson.....	" 5,	Williams, J.
7688	Herbert Mendenhall Smith	" 5,	Williams, J.
7689	Wille Merten Bours	" 5,	Williams, J.
7690	Henry Walter Gaudion Meany	" 5,	Whitehead.
7691	Robert Perline	" 8,	Doane, W. C.
7692	John Samuel Warren	" 8,	Doane, W. C.
7693	Alexander Haswell Grant	" 8,	Doane, W. C.
7694	Frederick St. George McLean	" 8,	Doane, W. C.
7695	Henry Elijah Hubbard.....	" 8,	Huntington
7696	William John Wright	" 9,	Potter, H. C.

* Made Deacon in Nova Scotia.

† Made Deacon by the Bishop of Rochester (Dec. 21, 1893).

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.....	7564
.....	7565
June 9, 1895,	Worthington	7566
Dec. 23, 1894,	Worthington	7567
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May 18, 1895,	Randolph	7569
Nov. —, 1895,	Newton	7570
June 28, 1895,	Newton	7571
" 28, 1895,	Newton	7572
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June 28, 1895,	Newton	7574
May 5, 1895,	Newton	7575
June 28, 1895,	Newton	7576
" 28, 1895,	Randolph	7577
" 28, 1895,	Randolph	7578
" 13, 1895,	Rullison	7579
.....	7580
June 28, 1895,	Peterkin	7581
May 12, 1895,	Capers	7582
.....	7583
June 9, 1895,	Randolph	7584
" 9, 1895,	Randolph	7585
March 10, 1895,	Coxe	7586
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July 21, 1895,	Vincent	7588
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Dec. 22, 1895,	Nicholson	7602
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7697	Elliot White.....	June 9,	Potter, H. C.
7698	Jacob Probst.....	" 9,	Potter, H. C.
7699	John Nellson Barry.....	" 9,	Potter, H. C.
7700	Augustine Elmendorf.....	" 9,	Potter, H. C.
7701	Henry Watson Mizner.....	" 9,	Potter, H. C.
7702	William Reese Scott.....	" 9,	Potter, H. C.
7703	William Vincent Dawson.....	" 9,	Potter, H. C.
7704	William Angus Hamilton.....	" 9,	Potter, H. C.
7705	Frederick Welham.....	" 9,	Potter, H. C.
7706	Walter Lowrie.....	" 9,	Whitaker.
7707	James Fry Bullitt.....	" 9,	Whitaker.
7708	William Bernard Gilpin.....	" 9,	Whitaker.
7709	James DeWolf Perry, Jr.....	" 9,	Whitaker.
7710	Walter George Read.....	" 9,	Whitaker.
7711	George Gunnell.....	" 9,	Whitehead.
7712	Lawrence G. Moultrie.....	" 9,	Whipple.
7713	William A. Rimer.....	" 9,	Whipple.
7714	John Victor Aluegren.....	" 9,	Whipple.
7715	Carl A. Nybladh.....	" 9,	Whipple.
7716	James Edward King.....	" 9,	Cheshire.
7717	Thomas Burke Balley.....	" 9,	Cheshire.
7718	Leon Henderson.....	" 9,	Cheshire.
7719	Togawa Ikuzu.....	" 9,	McKim.
7720	Mikami Kumazo.....	" 9,	McKim.
7721	Henry Duncan Chambers.....	" 11,	Gillespie.
7722	Joseph Patton McComas.....	" 11,	Paret.
7723	John Israel Yellott.....	" 11,	Paret.
7724	James Brown Eddie.....	" 12,	Nichols.
7725	Francis W. Eason.....	" 13,	Worthington.
7726	Paul R. Talbot.....	" 13,	Worthington.
7727	W. N. R. Ashmead.....	" 13,	Rulison.
7728	J. Irwin Brodhead.....	" 13,	Rulison.
7729	Frank Marshall.....	" 13,	Rulison.
7730	William Talmage Brown.....	" 15,	Worthington.
7731	Joseph Anthony Ten Broeck.....	" 16,	Whipple.
7732	D. J. Watson Somerville.....	" 16,	Whipple.
7733	Francis Brigham White.....	" 18,	Lawrence.
7734	Robert Miles Beach.....	" 18,	Lawrence.
7735	Lewis Nichols.....	" 18,	Lawrence.
7736	James Rockwood Jenkins.....	" 18,	Lawrence.
7737	James Bishop Thomas.....	" 18,	Lawrence.
7738	Robert Keating Smith.....	" 18,	Lawrence.
7739	Henry Phipps Ross.....	" 18,	Lawrence.
7740	Francis Lee Whittemore.....	" 18,	Lawrence.
7741	Chauncey Hayden Blodgett.....	" 18,	Lawrence.
7742	Ernest Joseph Dennin.....	" 18,	Lawrence.
7743	Reginald Rudyard Parker.....	" 19,	Williams, J.
7744	Robert Josias Morgan.....	" 19,	Coleman.
7745	William W. Stanton.....	" 21,	Coxe.
7746	Carl Reed Taylor.....	" 21,	Gillespie.
7747	Elmer Thompson Fitch.....	" 21,	Perry.
7748	Harvey Kay Coleman.....	" 21,	Perry.
7749	Martin Belknap Nash.....	" 21,	Perry.
7750	Cornelius Hill.....	" 21,	Grafton.
7751	Charles Steele Davidson.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7752	John Garlick Scott.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7753	Robert Williams Paton.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7754	Mortimer Garnett Cassell.....	" 21,	Randolph.
7755	Edward Arthur Temple.....	" 21,	Whittle.
7756	Henry Felix Klamau.....	" 21,	Whittle.
7757	George Otis Mead.....	" 21,	Whittle.
7758	James Jefferson Davis Hall.....	" 21,	Whittle.
7759	Archer Baugher.....	" 21,	Whittle.
7760	Clayton Alexander Christman.....	" 21,	Peterkin.
7761	Louis Tucker.....	" 21,	Wilmer, R. H.
7762	Thomas Nelson Barkdull.....	" 21,	Leonard, W. A.
7763	Edward Simpson Barkdull.....	" 21,	Leonard, W. A.
7764	Alfred J. Holworthy.....	" 21,	Talbot, E.
7765	Edward R. Frost.....	" 21,	Nicholson.
7766	Joseph A. Foster.....	" 21,	Nicholson.

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NAME.	DEACON.	BISHOP.
Benjamin Walter Bunnell.....	?	Nicholson.
Stuart C. Tyson	?	Nicholson.
Edward Doan	July 3,	Leonard, W. A.
Thomas Manley Sharpe	" 14,	Potter, H. C.
G. Howard Gilkey.....	" 19,	Vincent.
John A. Howell	" 19,	Vincent.
William F. Dawson	" 25,	Whitehead.
James Wilmer Gresham	Aug. 4,	Gallor.
James Noble Starr	" 21,	Watson.
William Wilson	Sept. 15,	Talbot, E.
James H. Macpherson	" 15,	Talbot, E.
William B. Beach	" 21,	Coleman.
William Maccaud	?	Huntington.
English Crooks	?	Huntington.

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No.	NO. ON DOWNING LIST.	NAME.	DATE.	BISHOP.
1885.				
1	1937	Edwin Burwell Jones	Jan. 4,	Whittle.
2	3075	Anson G. P. Dodge.....	" 11,	Beckwith.
3	3029	Charles Coleman Griffith	" 18,	Paret.
4	2963	John Charles Anderson	Feb. 1,	Harris.
5	3007	Louls Albert Lanpher	" 1,	Coxe.
6	3104	David Sprague.....	" 15,	Doane, W. C.
7	3068	William Taylor Douglas.....	" 16,	Galleher.
8	2781	John Howard Veazey	March 1,	Neely.
9	2815	Algernon George Edward Jenner.....	" 1,	Perry.
10	3069	William H. Cutler	" 1,	Niles.
11	3073	Sidney Hebbard Cook	" 5,	Huntington.
12	2821	Wilbur Fisk Watkins.....	" 6,	Stevens.
13	3115	Thompson P. Ege	" 6,	Stevens.
14	3065	George Mosely Murray	" 11,	Whittle.
15	2811	Amand De Rosset Meares.....	" 15,	Knickerbacker
16	3118	Samuel N. Watson.....	" 26,	Robertson.
17	3140	Martin Ball Dunlap.....	" 28,	Williams, J.
18	3042	Joseph M. McGrath.....	April 2,	Harris.
19	2780	George Samuel Hill.....	" 8,	Neely.
20	3099	Arthur Wentworth Eaton	" 26,	Potter, H. C.
21	3164	Henry Ernest Simonds Somerville.....	May 1,	Perry.
22	3117	Henry Horace Clapham.....	" 8,	Kip.
23	3080	Arthur Williams Burroughs.....	" 17,	Elliott, R. W.
24	3122	Sherman Coolidge	" 20,	Spalding.
25	3143	Edward Bouldin Burwell	" 20,	Whittle.
26	3144	William Loyall Gravatt.....	" 20,	Whittle.
27	3145	Thomas Walker Jones.....	" 20,	Whittle.
28	3146	Jabez Card Koon	" 20,	Whittle.
29	3147	Samuel Scollay Moore.....	" 20,	Whittle.
30	3148	Carter Page.....	" 20,	Whittle.
31	3150	Clevius Orlando Pruden	" 20,	Whittle.
32	3151	Lysander Waldo Rose.....	" 20,	Whittle.
33	3153	John Whitfield Sykes.....	" 20,	Whittle.
34	2813	Reginald Kingswell Collison.. ..	" 24,	Garrett.
35	3063	Frank Eugene Evans.....	" 24,	Garrett.
36	3126	George Taylor Griffith.....	" 24,	McLaren.
		Frederick Chapin Jewell.....	" 24,	McLaren.
		Woodford Prentice Law	" 25,	Perry.
		Wallace Pierce.....	" 28,	Pierce.
			" 30,	Doane, W.

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NO. ON INWRING LIST.	NAME.	DATE.	BISHOP.
3181	John P. Derwent Llwyd	June 7,	Knickerbacker.
3077	Hamilton M. Bartlett	" 9,	Clark.
3108	Frederick Herbert Rowse	" 9,	Neely.
3108	Wylys Rede	" 9,	Neely.
3086	Robert Hugh Wright	" 10,	Lee, A.
3050	Francis Merton Munson	" 11,	Knickerbacker.
3109	George Reed Savage	" 11,	Stevens.
3110	Fletcher Clark	" 11,	Stevens.
3111	Edward Kilbourn Tullidge	" 11,	Stevens.
3123	Endicott Peabody	" 11,	Paddock, B. H.
3120	Robert Benjamin Parker	" 11,	Paddock, B. H.
3120	Langdon Lauriston Ward	" 11,	Paddock, B. H.
3131	Henry William Winkley	" 11,	Paddock, B. H.
3132	Sherrard Billings	" 11,	Paddock, B. H.
3135	James Otis Lincoln	" 11,	Paddock, B. H.
3126	Wilfred Lash Robbins	" 11,	Paddock, B. H.
3137	Thomas Alexander Hyde	" 11,	Paddock, B. H.
3119	P. Barton Peabody	" 14,	Whipple.
3120	William B. Hamilton	" 14,	Whipple.
3121	Charles E. Hixon	" 14,	Whipple.
3108	Herbert P. LeF. Grabau	" 18,	Quintard.
3173	Joseph H. Blacklock	" 18,	Quintard.
3161	Frederick Janvier Vincent	" 24,	Paddock, J. A.
3166	John Hoffman Breckhead	" 24,	Paddock, J. A.
3114	Charles T. A. Pise	" 25,	Quintard.
3082	John Charles Fair	" 25,	Randolph.
3140	Wiley Jones Page	" 25,	Randolph.
3152	William Rutherford Savage	" 25,	Randolph.
3153	John Ulric Graf	" 25,	Brown.
3081	Ralph Hart Bowles	July 1,	Williams, J.
3089	Benjamin Fish Thompson	" 1,	Rullison.
3116	Louis Cope Washburn	" 2,	Rullison.
3080	Elu Chrysostom Burr	" 9,	Watson.
3074	Ephraim Watt	Aug. 19,	Dunlop.
3165	William Y Sheppard	" 19,	Dunlop.
3084	William Hall Moreland	" 21,	Howe, W. B. W.
3082	Hector Eccles Clowes	" 23,	Brewer.
3080	Maximilian Lindsay Kellner	" 23,	Perry.
3171	Robert Elliott Grub	Sept. 24,	Dudley.
3777	Edward Falconer Miles	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
3082	Henry Augustus Adams	" 29,	Paddock, B. H.
3085	Sidney Cadlin Partridge	" 29,	Boone, W. J., Jr.
3173	William Farrar Weeks	" 29,	Bisell.
3080	Francis Emmanuel Shober	Oct. 7,	Potter, H. C.
3080	Louis Henry Burch	" 8,	Huntington.
3445	James Bevan Williams	" 15,	Whitehead.
3188	Percival Holl Hickman	" 15,	Whitehead.
3700	Edward Marshall Mott	" 18,	Wingfield.
3113	Thomas G. Harper	" 23,	Starkey.
3188	William Hyde	Nov. 13,	Paddock, B. H.
3032	Walter Johnston Smith	" 13,	Lyman.
3078	Robert Strange	" 15,	Lyman.
3512	John Nehemiah Marvin	" 18,	Doane, W. C.
3080	Mayo Cabell Martin	" 25,	Quintard.
3125	Theodore Clinton Foote	" 25,	Quintard.
3160	John Robert Rhinlander Robinson	Dec. 8,	Rullison.
3050	Thomas F. Milby	" 12,	Scarborough.
3120	Alfred Bull Nichols	" 14,	Williams, J.
3105	McNeely Du Bose	" 16,	Howe, W. B. W.
3457	Frederick W. Crook	" 20,	Worthington.
3045	Alberto Pace	" 20,	Littlejohn.
3082	William W. Davis	" 20,	Littlejohn.
3179	Jacob Asbury Regester	" 21,	Paret.
	Frederick W. Clappett	" 21,	Potter, H. C.

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124	3176	Carey Breckenridge Wilmer	Jan. 28,	Whipple.
125	3030	Frances Marion Taitt	Feb. 2,	Scarborough.
126	2323 (a)	Edward Haute	March 7,	Ferguson.
127	2323 (b)	James G. Monger	" 7,	Ferguson.
128	2562 (a)	Horatio C. Merriam Nyema	" 7,	Ferguson.
129	3123	Lamens McLure	" 19,	Whitehead.
130	2416	Newell Demeritt Stanley	" 21,	Brown.
131	3008	John William Van Ingen	" 21,	Coxe.
132	3101	Edward Riggs	" 25,	Starkey.
133	3072	Henry Cornelius Dyer	April 22,	Burgess, A.
134	2423	William R. McConnell	" 24,	Beckwith.
135	3094	Pierre Cushing	May 16,	Coxe.
136	3107	Martin L. Alguer	" 16,	Stevens.
137	3069	Horace B. Goodyear	June 1,	Huntington.
138	3157	Russell Woodman	" 1,	Doane, W. C.
139	2318	William Wright Corby	" 6,	Perry.
140	2683	Percy Barnes	" 13,	Clark.
141	2814	Floyd Edgar West	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
142	1268	William Clark Knowles	July 1,	Williams, J.
143	2314 (a)	O. Evans Hermie Shannon	" 4,	Ferguson.
144	3180	Dean Richmond Babbitt	" 4,	Potter, H. C.
145	2268	R. Calder Young	" 7,	Quintard.
146	2262	Charles H. Bohn	" 8,	Vall.
147	3160	Jeremiah J. Wilkins	" 11,	Garrett.
148	2971	Edward De S. Juny	Aug. 8,	Kip.
149	3170	Vaudry McRee	" 13,	Lyman.
150	3185	Edward Phelan Hart	Sept. 24,	Coxe.
151	3190	John Robert Moses	Dec. 9,	Scarborough.
152	2385	John H. M. Pollard	" 14,	Whittle.
153	2542	Thomas B. Clarkson	" 17,	Howe, W. B.
154	3182	Hardy Harrison Phelps	" 17,	Howe, W. B.
155	1035*	William F. Walker	" 19,	Welles.
156	3186	Joseph Marshall Francis	" 19,	Welles.
157	2334	Thomas James Drumm	" 19,	Niles.
1887.				
158	2156	Reese P. Kendall	Jan. 20,	Burgess, A.
159	2823	James S. Russell	Feb. 9,	Whittle.
160	3187	Normand B. Harris	March 13,	Weed.
161	2725	John W. Perry	April 7,	Lyman.
162	2072	Charles E. McDougal	May 4,	Weed.
163	2523	Roland Ernest Grueber	June 5,	Potter, H. C.
164	3167	Charles Girard Davis	" 19,	Tuttle.
165	2892	John Benjamin Williams	Sept. 21,	Seymour.
166	2816	Charles Carroll Quinn	Oct. 18,	Lyman.
167	2417	Thomas Stephens	Dec. 18,	Potter, H. C.
168	3123	William Stanley Emery	" 18,	Niles.
1888.				
169	1517	Daniel S. C. M. Potter	April 15,	Pierre.
170	3079	James Potter Conover	May 10,	Niles.
171	3053	William Higgs	" 27,	Huntington.
172	2050	Edmund Burke	" 27,	Potter, H. C.
173	3159	William Henderson Hampton	" 27,	Dudley.
174	2065	Henry Stephen McDuffey	June 3,	Lyman.
175	2922	Herbert Landowne Gamble	Nov. 1,	Worthington
176	2600	Enos J. Balslev	Dec. 21,	Howe, M. A. D.
177	2169	Gilbert Henry Sterling	" 26,	Starkey.
1889.				
178	2067	Edward Hezekiah Butler	April 13,	Weed.
179	2518	Samuel Marcy Wiggins	May 15,	Galleher.
180	2703	Alfred Foster Washburn	June 11,	Paddock, B. H.
181	3156	Henry Raymond Freeman	" 16,	Potter, H. C.

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182	3154	John Trenaman	June 30,	Walker.
183	3162	John Henry Forrest Bell.....	July 23,	Paddock, J. A.
184	2125	John Robinson.....	Sept. 29,	Hare.
185	2782	David Moir	" 30,	Coxe.
186	2964(b)	Mazakazer Tai.....	Dec. 20,	Williams, C. M.
1890.				
187	1976	Robert Bowen Windley	April 7,	Watson.
188	1404	Alexander Hamilton	" 20,	Potter, H. C.
189	2926	Sz Chia Hwa	Sept. 4,	Boone, W. J., Jr.
190	2310	Samuel G. Babcock.....	" 28,	Clark.
191	1824	Henry Alfred Duboc	Dec. 14,	Watson.
192	2807	John Evans..	" 21,	Coxe.
1891.				
193	2534	John George Fawcett.....	May 24,	Potter, H. C.
194	2555	Job Turner	June 26,	Whittle.
195	2954	Lucius Martin Hardy	Sept. 29,	Bissell.
1892.				
196	3184	Mei Peng Kwel.....	Jan. 11,	Moule.*
197	2968	Primus Prius Alston	" 26,	Lyman.
198	1721	Joseph Barber	March 28,	Whitehead.
199	2994	Stephen Arnold Webb Pray	June 22,	Nicholson.
200	2320	Amos Ross	Sept. 4,	Hare.
201	3032	Philip J. Deloria	" 4,	Hare.
202	2997	Samuel Stanley Searing	Nov. 27,	Brooks.
1894.				
203	2773	Nicholas Colin Hughes.....	April 3,	Watson.
1895.				
204	3078	George L. Nelde	May 12,	Thompson.

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148	2971	Edward De S. Juny	Aug. 8,	Kip.
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150	3186	Edward Phelan Hart	Sept. 24,	Coxe.
151	3190	John Robert Moses	Dec. 9,	Scarborough.
152	2365	John H. M. Pollard	" 14,	Whittle.
153	2542	Thomas B. Clarkson	" 17,	Howe, W. R. W.
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155	1065*	William F. Walker	" 19,	Welles.
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APPENDIX X.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON ECCLESIASTICAL RELATIONS.

THE Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations respectfully reports:

That, so soon as reappointed, it organized by choosing as Chairman the Right Reverend the Bishop of Western New York, and as Secretary the Rev. Fr. A. DeRosset, and that, for the more efficient carrying on of the work entrusted to it, the following sub-committees were appointed:

1. *On Oriental Churches.*—The Bishops of Long Island and Springfield; the Assistant Bishop of Springfield; the Rev. Dr. Hodges, the Rev. Mr. DeRosset; Mr. Nash.

2. *On the Old Catholics of Holland, Germany, Switzerland, and Austria.*—The Bishops of Western New York, Long Island, Fond du Lac, and Michigan; the Rev. Drs. Vibbert, Doty, and Jewell; Messrs. Fish and King.

3. *On the Old Catholic Churches of France, Italy, Spain, and Portugal.*—The Bishops of Central New York, Delaware, and Fond du Lac; the Rev. Drs. Hoffman, Langdon, Nevin, and Satterlee; Messrs. Jay, Chauncey, and Vanderbilt.

4. *On the Scandinavian Churches.*—The Bishops of Springfield and Iowa; the Rev. Dr. Vibbert; Messrs. Gerry and Copeland.

5. *On the Moravian Church.*—The Bishops of Iowa and Delaware; the Assistant Bishop of Springfield; the Rev. Mr. DeRosset; Mr. Cutting.

6. *On Correspondence with Foreign Chaplains.*—The Rev. Mr. DeRosset.

A year since, in consequence of political difficulties, of the exact nature of which we have not been informed, inasmuch as the *'Εκκλησιαστικὴ Ἀντιόχεια*, the organ of the Patriarch, was only allowed to allude to the matter in the most guarded way, Neophytus VIII., whose accession to the Patriarchal throne of Constantinople we mentioned in our last report, found it necessary to resign his post, so that there are now no less than three ex-Patriarchs of Constantinople. After some delay, the Metropolitan of Leros and Kalymnos was chosen to succeed him, and, with the title Anthimus VIII., entered upon his new duties February 1, 1895. He is said to be a man of learning, eloquence, and efficiency.

Sophronius, "Pope and Patriarch of the great City Alexandria and of all Egypt," the oldest and the senior Bishop in the world, having been born in 1798, and consecrated in 1839, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his accession to the See he now occupies, the past summer. When Bishop Nyth visited, a year since, "the aged and friendly Patriarch of St. Mark's throne, . . . his clear eye, quick intelligence, and sonorous voice, seemed to argue that the dial of his life's record moves backward."

In our last, we mentioned that difficulties had arisen in connection with the election of the then new Patriarch of Antioch, Spiridion. It seems that these difficulties arose from the race feeling between the Greek and Arab Christians. We are happy to learn that the Patriarch has shown

such wisdom and tact, that peace and harmony now reign throughout his Patriarchate.

The most cordial relations continue to exist between the Patriarch of Jerusalem, Gerasimus, and Bishop Blyth, the representative of the Anglican Communion in the Holy City.

The following letter has been received from the Patriarch of Antioch :

**SPIRIDION, BY THE MERCY OF GOD, PATRIARCH OF THE GREAT
DIVINE CITY ANTIOCH, AND OF ALL THE EAST.**

✠ *To FREDERICK A. DEROSSET, Archdeacon of Cairo, and Secretary of the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, of the General Convention of the American Church, we bestow on you our Apostolic Blessing, in Christ Jesus our Lord :*

We have safely received, Venerable Sir, your letter of the 14th-26th of last June, and the Journal of the General Convention of the American church, which you sent to us with it, together with the report of the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, of which you are the secretary.

Thanking you for all these, in this our letter of response, we earnestly pray the Lord that he will keep you in good health, and send down upon you His heavenly grace and blessing.

✠ **THE PATRIARCH OF ANTIOCH, SPIRIDION.**

DAMASCUS, July 28, 1895.

Unofficial letters have also been received by our late Secretary, Bishop Hale, from the Patriarch of Alexandria, whose handwriting is as firm now as it was when the Bishop received the first letter from him so many years since that the Patriarch speaks of him as an old correspondent of his; from the Patriarch of Antioch, who "prays the Triune God that He would enlighten all with the light of His Divine wisdom and knowledge, and that He would hear our unceasing prayers and intercessions for the good estate of the Holy Churches of God, and for the union of all"; and from the large-hearted Nicodemus, late Patriarch of Jerusalem.

This prelate, since his retirement from the Patriarchate, on account of broken health, has been living in retirement at a small monastery on the Island of Halki, in the Sea of Marmora, near Constantinople. Last year this monastery was overthrown by an earthquake. The good Nicodemus, more fortunate than some, escaped with his life, and has been living in temporary quarters until the monastery is rebuilt. In these, he writes in a recent letter :

"I live by myself, quiet and thankful. I attend the Church of the Island, and labor in teaching the Gospel, for the edification of Christians who know little of God's Word, which grows ever more full of delights as the quiet of death draws near. . . .

"Bear in mind, brother in Christ, what you have often expressed to us, that there is need that we of the East know you and that you know us. And in order to our knowing each other, there is need that the sacred liturgical books and the rules for service be translated into the different tongues, that they may be understood and that prejudice may be uprooted. They cause much harm through their want of sympathy, their manner, and their thoughtlessness, who, on your side, judge of us and our affairs, or on our side of you and your affairs, yet pay little attention to the real opinions of each. . . . wherefore we shall thankfully receive and wait for the Liturgy of the Anglican and American Churches in Latin, which I understand you will send us, as also anything else bearing on the work of unity."

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His Blessedness had been told of the unsatisfactory nature of the various translations of the Prayer Book into foreign tongues, and has been asked if he could readily read Bright & Medd's *Liber Precum Publicarum*, which, besides being the best version of the English Prayer Book in any tongue, contains also a translation of the American and the Scottish Communion Offices.

Two important societies in the Russian Church have celebrated their twenty-fifth anniversary the past year, the Orthodox Missionary Society and the Russian Bible Society. Each can tell of admirable work done, but each, while thanking God for what has been achieved, recognizes the need of yet more earnest prayers and labour, and of yet larger gifts.

While, in America and England, the difficulties in the way of anything like general Christian education have been felt to be very great and often almost insuperable, we are told, on good authority, that "during the last twelve years more than eleven thousand parish schools have been provided by the Russian Church, and have been supported mainly through voluntary efforts."

A devout and learned English layman, well known to a member of our Commission, writes of a visit he paid last year in the East of Russia: "I travelled with a Tartar Priest, himself a convert from Mohammedanism, amongst the Tartar villages east of the Volga, where, so far from the State having put pressure upon the natives to desert their religion, Mohammedanism is even endowed by the Russian government. And yet, I saw village after village, where forty years ago, there was not a single Christian inhabitant, with Christian Churches built by private subscription, and crowded with Tartar peasants, singing the Liturgy, and other offices of the Church, in their native tongue."

The work of Christianizing the Mohammedans seems to many almost hopeless. Surely there is life and efficiency in a Church which can succeed so well in a task so difficult.

Since last General Convention, we have been brought, in more than one instance, into relations with the Church in the Greek Kingdom. The learned and eloquent Demetrius Latas, Archbishop of Zante, was present at the meeting of the Board of Missions in Chicago, in October, A. D. 1893. In an address which he delivered before the body he said: "In your Church, and in the eminent divines of that Church, one can see concentrated the hopes of union, in the future, of all the Christian Churches in the world. Your Church is the centre toward which all the eminent persons of the distinctive Churches will cast their eyes in the future, when, by the grace of God, they will decide to take steps for the union of all the Christian world, into one flock under one Shepherd."

After the Apostolic Benediction from the Most Reverend Prelate, at the conclusion of his address, the following resolution, prepared by a member of our Commission, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Missionary Council of the American Church extends to the Most Reverend Dionysius, Archbishop of Zante, our most reverent regards, and through him our most loving greetings to our dear brethren in Christ, the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the Holy Orthodox Churches of the East, of whom he is so worthy a representative.

Not long after the Council at Chicago, he returned home by the Pacific Ocean. A friend who saw him soon after writes: "It was very interesting to notice the effect of his travels; he was extraordinarily impressed by the expenditure of resources on missionary work; it seems to have given him quite a new and fresh conviction that Christianity is destined to rule the world."

He had learned much of the real condition of our Church during his visit, and we hoped much from the results of his influence on his return to Greece. But our Heavenly Father was pleased to call him to his rest very soon after he again reached his native land.

A senior member of our Commission, the Bishop of Long Island, spending some time in Athens, and receiving much courtesy from the Metropolitan and his Clergy, addressed the following letter to the Metropolitan on Christmas Day, 1894:

GERMANOS, METROPOLITAN OF ATHENS, AND PRESIDENT OF THE
HOLY SYNOD OF GREECE:

My Lord Archbishop, — After the very friendly interviews granted me by your Grace, in the past week, I am encouraged to believe that you will not regard with disfavour this more formal and explicit expression of my deep interest in all that belongs to the history, or concerns the wellbeing, of the Holy Orthodox Church of the East. Though I have no authority to speak for anyone but myself, I may venture to assure you and the Holy Synod over which you preside, that my feeling, as one of its bishops, correctly represents that of the whole American Church.

There are many reasons why we of the remoter West should regard with affectionate veneration all branches of the Holy Eastern Church in communion with the Patriarch of Constantinople. We are not unmindful of what she has suffered and achieved through ages of change, oppression, and disaster. We are grateful for her patient and courageous witness in times of peril and persecution to the faith and order of the primitive Church. We are glad to recognize her dignity and honour, as the Mother Church of Christendom. It is part of our happiness, as it is also of our strength, to know that we have much in common with the Eastern Church, and that in some degree we are sharers in her noblest treasures. Her fathers are ours. We cherish, with a love second only to hers, the Clements, the Polycarps, the Basils, the Gregories and the Chrysostoms whom she gave to Christendom. And while saying this, we rejoice to add that she, faithfully obedient to their teachings, has never allowed herself to be tempted to put forth arrogant pretensions to supremacy and infallibility, and thus to erect new and insuperable barriers to the restoration of Catholic unity.

In this connection, we recall with lively satisfaction the endeavours made by some of our pious and learned forefathers of the Church of England (endeavours rendered possible by the absence of such barriers) to open friendly communications with Eastern patriarchs and prelates. But, coming down to events nearer our own time, we hold in thankful remembrance the kindness and sympathy shown by prominent ecclesiastics of the Greek Church to the Rev. Dr. Hill, during his fifty years of labour in this city in the cause of Christian education. The great value of his work and the disinterested motives which prompted it, as well as the stainless excellence of his character as a priest in the Church of God, have been equally attested by the highest authorities in the Greek Church and in the Greek nation. During all the half-century of Dr. Hill's labours here, he was not only the public representative, but also a living epistle of the American Church, to the brethren of the Eastern Church. It is, therefore, no new thing that you should be assured by these presents of the loving sympathy of the American Church.

Most thankful for the many courtesies and kindnesses received at the hands of your Grace during my sojourn in Athens, I cannot conclude this letter without expressing the earnest hope (and I do so in words used by the late illustrious Bishop of Lincoln, some eighteen years ago) that "if it should please God that Constantinople should cease, after more than four hundred years, to be the seat of Moslem misrule, and be restored to the Christian faith, the Cross may again surmount the Church of Santa Sophia, and other Gregories and other Chrysostoms may sit on the patriarchal throne, and faithful worshippers from the East and

the West may meet together as brethren under its dome to sing praises to their common Lord."

If it be not a vain thing to cherish such a hope, it will surely be part of our daily prayers that God will, in His own time and way, effect such a union of the ancient Churches of the East with the Western Churches of the Anglican and American Communion, and with the Old Catholics of continental Europe, as will, in His merciful providence, prove to be a firm bulwark against the assaults of unbelief and Ultramontanism — now the chief peril of Christendom, and a sure safeguard, amid all dangers and disasters, of the faith once delivered to the saints, with its sufficient record in Holy Scripture, and its sufficient witness in the Primitive Church.

With sincere esteem and affection, I am your Grace's friend and brother in Christ,

A. N. LITTLEJOHN,
Bishop of Long Island.

To this letter the Metropolitan responded as follows:

THE RIGHT REVEREND THE BISHOP OF LONG ISLAND:

My dear Bishop: The Holy Synod of the Church of Greece, having perused with great attention and care the letter sent by you, our beloved brother, has gratefully appreciated the affectionate veneration of the American Church toward the Holy Orthodox Church and its fathers, who established it through labour and blood. These fathers delivered to us as they had received it from the eye-witnesses of the Word, a holy and uncorrupt Church, not having spot or blemish, or any such thing. Therefore the Holy Synod of the Church of Greece directed us to greet you, brother beloved in Christ, and to write a due answer to your honoured letter.

Thus writing, we assure you, who are so dear to us, of our deep gratitude for your letter in which you express so strongly the thankfulness of the American Church to the Holy Eastern Church, for her patient and courageous witness, in times of peril and persecution, to the faith and order of the primitive Church.

In this letter, you recognize the Holy Eastern Church as the mother Church of Christendom, and you state that its fathers are also the fathers of the American Church, namely, the Clements, the Polycarps, the Basils, the Gregories, and the Chrysostoms. Moreover, you earnestly desire the realization of the union of the Churches of England and America, with the primitive Church in the East.

We cannot express the joy and the great satisfaction we felt for what is written so sincerely by a reverend prelate of the American Church. We thanked God from the bottom of our heart because he has sent you, at this time, as one of His chosen servants to aid in preparing the way for the desired union, and so for the fulfilment of the great promise that we shall all be one flock under one and the same heavenly Shepherd, our Lord Jesus Christ.

In the meantime, we beg you, who in the goodness of your heart have shown us so many proofs of sympathy, to allow us to assure you that our holy Church of God, walking in the paths of its blessed and ever memorable fathers and masters, considers as one of its principal aims, the union of all the Christian Churches in the world under one and the same Master, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Church, praying incessantly for this most desirable and salutary union, believes that the moment is approaching when this union will be possible, principally with those Churches of the West which have no ambition for self-advancement, and which are distinguished for their

devotion to the principles of the primitive Church. It is only such Churches that can successfully resist men who ascribe to themselves divine qualities, and that can remove the worst obstacles to the restoration of Christian concord and unity.

Writing this letter with Christian love to you, and giving to all faithful Christians of America the blessing of our Holy Church, we are your dear brother and friend in Christ,

✠ GERMANOS,
Metropolitan of Athens.

ATHENS, December 24, 1894—January 5, 1895.

The work of the Jerusalem and the East Mission, under the charge of Bishop Blyth, has gone on with many anxieties, but, on the whole, very successfully. In addition to the work at Jerusalem, a hospital has been opened at Haifa, at the foot of Mt. Carmel, under the very efficient care of Miss May Allen, daughter of the late Archdeacon Allen, of Salop, in the Diocese of Litchfield, and a lady of much experience in the missionary field.

There is a mission school at Cairo, under the charge of the Rev. Naser Odeh, a native Syrian, placed there by Bishop Blyth. It is especially intended for Jews, but Copts and Moslems are also admitted. A recent visitor was much impressed by the attainments of the pupils, girls, boys, and young men, and by the thorough and Churchly manner in which all was carried on. The Society for the Furtherance of Christianity in Egypt is doing what it can to promote education among the Copts, and especially for their women. Among the Copts themselves considerable is done for education. A Society has been founded by them called the Al Tewfikh Society, which aims to promote the advancement of the Coptic people, and, as means thereto, to improve the training and the support of the Clergy, who are at present very poorly paid. While this movement is one of their own, they welcome the sympathy and help of Anglicans. The Archbishop's Mission to Assyrian Christians still goes on with its good work of assisting the Assyrian, or, as we believe they prefer to be called, the East Syrian, Christians help themselves. To use the words of the Archbishop of Canterbury, "The object of the Mission is not to Anglicise this people, but to make them intelligent holders of the religion which they have held with such tenacity." "There was no question about the absolute sincerity of these people; they did not desire that money should be spent among them; all that they asked was, 'Teach us; do come and teach us. You have all knowledge, all power, at your disposal; come over here and teach us.'"

A number of the students of the General Theological Seminary in New York have, we understand, undertaken to pay the salary of one of the Clergy connected with the Mission, the Rev. Mr. Neesan, a Syrian who was educated at the New York Seminary. A number of village schools are supported by contributions of American Churchmen. Indeed, the Jerusalem and the East Mission, under Bishop Blyth, and the Archbishop's Assyrian Mission, are Anglican rather than English Missions, and well deserving of American help. We are pleased to learn that Bishop Blyth has recently received very generous assistance from this Country.

The Eastern Church Association, founded about thirty years since in England, "to give information as to the state and position of the Eastern Christians, to make known to the Christians of the East the doctrine and principles of the Anglican Church, and to take advantage of all opportunities which the Providence of God should afford for intercommunion with the Orthodox Church, and also for friendly intercourse with the other ancient Churches of the East," which for some years was inactive,

has lately been revived and is doing a good work. It counts among its members, a number of Bishops and others of the American Church.

In our last report we gave an account of the First International Old Catholic Congress held at Cologne, September, 1890, and of the Second held at Lucerne, Switzerland, in September, 1892. At the third of these Congresses, held at Rotterdam, Holland, August 27-30, 1894, two members of our Commission were in attendance, Bishop Hale, and the Rev. Dr. Nevin. They were greatly encouraged by what they saw and heard. There were representatives there, and able ones, from Germany, Switzerland, Austria, France, and Italy, and, of course, a good attendance of Hollanders. And with all the zeal, there was great harmony. At other Old Catholic gatherings, one had been struck with the academic character of much of the proceedings. Wise men and good spake learnedly and well in favour of this doctrine, or against that practice. But the young and zealous were largely conspicuous by their absence. At this Congress the wisdom of the aged was not absent, but neither was the enthusiasm of the younger. In the earlier stages of the Old Catholic movement, the Church of Holland stood watching. Now, its Arch—bishop, two Bishops, with leading Clergy and Laity, were in the fore—front. For years the Old Church in Holland steadily declined in numbers, now the tide has turned, and it has a steady increase. The Church Services during the Congress were well attended by young and old, and were hearty and attractive. The Congress was presided over by Dr. Van Theil, head of the Theological Seminary at Amersfoort, a strong man, and an excellent presiding officer. While the visitors, Anglican and Russian, were treated with great courtesy and kindness, it was evident that the Old Catholics were not bidding for foreign support in any quarter; and this in itself was an encouraging feature.

Excellent reports were given of progress in Germany and Switzerland. An able young priest from Paris told of good work done there. Pfarrer Cech gave a good report for Austria. It was resolved to have the next Congress meet (in 1896) at Vienna, by which time it is hoped that the Austrian Old Catholics will have a Bishop of their own. Arrangements to that end are already making.

Count Henri di Campello from Italy proclaimed the hearty agreement of himself and those who followed him with Old Catholic principles. It was a matter of regret, spoken of not publicly but privately, that Spain was not represented at this Congress, as it had been at the last, so that all those on the continent who sought to be Catholic but not Roman might act in harmony, to their mutual comfort and advantage.

In July last Bishop Reinkens addressed a Pastoral Letter to the Clergy and Laity under his charge, to say that, warned by advancing years and the effects of recent illness that he had need of help in his work, he proposed that his Vicar General, Dr. Theodore Weber, be consecrated to be his assistant. Prof. Weber was accordingly consecrated August 4, 1895, in the Cathedral at Berne, by Bishop Herzog, assisted by Bishop Reinkens and Bishop Spit, of Deventer, a Bishop from each of the churches of Germany, Switzerland, and Holland, thus taking part in the laying on of hands.

On Sunday, September 23, 1894, a recently erected church for the Spanish Reformers was consecrated in Madrid, by the Archbishop of Dublin, and on the same day, Señor Cabrera was consecrated a Bishop of the Reformed Church in Spain, by the Archbishop of Dublin, assisted by the bishops of Clogher and Down of the Irish Church.

During the past two years, there has been on the Continent not a little discussion of Anglican Orders. Some Old Catholics of Holland, who have not yet outlived Ultramontane prejudices, having expressed doubts as to the validity of those Orders, have drawn out most able replies from

such Old Catholic leaders as Bishop Reinkens and Dr. Friedrich. And leading French ecclesiastics, the Abbé Portal, the Abbé Duchesne, and Monseigneur Gasparri, have demonstrated that many of the arguments urged against Anglican Orders have no support from history, or theological science. It is said that these distinguished scholars have been encouraged in setting forth the real facts in this matter by manifest approval in very high quarters. The withdrawal of baseless charges against the validity of Anglican Orders, would do much in preparing the way for nearer relations between Christian Churches in time to come.

On the 30th of August last, the Archbishop of Canterbury issued, at the request of the Bishops of his Province, a very important Pastoral Letter. In this he says:

“A desire for sympathy among classes, for harmony among nations, above all for reunion in Christendom, is characteristic of our time. We cannot fail to find in it a call to renewed faith in the mission of the Church, and to more strenuous labour for the realization of Christ's bequest of peace. . . . The official letter of the Bishops of the Anglican Communion, assembled in Conference at Lambeth, in A.D. 1878, already suggested ‘the observance throughout our Communion of a season of Prayer for the Unity of Christendom,’ as well as an intercession for the enlargement of Christ's Kingdom. The Lambeth Conference of A.D. 1888, ‘commended this matter of reunion to the special prayers of all Christian people, both within and (so far as it might rightly do so) without our Communion,’ in preparation for opportunities of further action. Similar desires have been expressed by Eastern Churches. Conferences have been held between leading men of various communities. Almost all the Christian bodies known among us, including the Roman Communion, have by their heads, requested that prayers should be offered this last Whitsuntide for grace to attain to so good a consummation. In thankfulness to the one Spirit for these manifold signs of His operation, the whole Christian Church will consider both the duty of continued movement towards this Divine end, and will also mark all forms of action likely to hinder or invalidate such movement. Peril there would be to us in any haste which would sacrifice part of our trust, and in any narrowness which would limit our vision of Christendom. . . . Union solid and permanent can be based only on the common acknowledgment of truth. . . . History appears to be forcing upon the Anglican Communion an unsought position, an overwhelming duty from which it has hitherto shrunk. It has no need to state or to apologize for this. Thinkers, not of its own fold, have boldly foreshadowed the obligation which must lie upon it towards the divided Churches of East and West. . . . It seems not uncertainly marked by God to bring the parted Churches of Christ to a better understanding and closer fellowship. . . . It is our supreme and perfect hope that at last ‘The peace of God shall rule in all our hearts, to the which also we are called in One Body.’ We steadfastly pray the prayer. We commit ourselves ‘to Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think.’ ”

Doubtless amongst those who pray for unity a large part have a very defective idea of what unity is, and are influenced, more than they themselves realize, by a desire to see their own opinion prevail. Members of one Church would fain see all other Christian Churches and Christians subject to that one Church. And those who have, for any cause, departed from the Divine Organization of the Church, vainly imagine that the immense majority of Christians would surrender what they hold as a sacred trust, in order to bring about a temporary union containing within itself the elements of its own speedy disruption. But, happily, God answers the prayers of His people, not according to their ignorance, but according to His infinite and loving wisdom. If there be a special promise,

"where two of you agree on earth as touching anything that ye shall ask," how sure may we be that when from millions of Christian hearts, in all parts of the world, goes up the constant and fervent prayer that "all may be one," He, who is "the author of peace and lover of concord," will, in His own good time and way, grant the petition, and unite all His children, however now dissevered, in "that peace of His that maketh all things peaceful."

How can we close better than in the words of Porphyry, the late learned and saintly Bishop of Tchigirin, in Russia, who, in his work on the Coptic Church, nearly forty years ago, thus beautifully wrote:

"He who walked amidst the seven golden candlesticks of the Church alone knoweth when, and how, and by what means, shall be fulfilled His promise which cannot be broken, 'There shall be one Flock and one Shepherd.' But until that time comes, every child of the Catholic Church ought to draw near, by prayer, by love, by careful study, to his brethren, who are put in antagonism to, or, to speak more correctly, are separated from him by misunderstandings. 'Behold how good and joyful a thing it is, brethren, to dwell together in unity'! In one and the same æther float all the stars of heaven, made by God, not all of one size, or of one weight, and revolving in different orbits, and about different suns. On one earth, and according to one law of vegetation, the flowers grow, but how they differ in form and colour! One Lord of the spirits of all flesh rules with sovereign sway over all, but when there is a common love each for the other, His tender mercy will graciously condescend, and listening to the prayers of all, each for the other, He will pardon errors and sins, in word or deed, and whether committed in knowledge or in ignorance."

All which is respectfully submitted,

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CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON.

THOMAS F. DAVIES.

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APPENDIX XI.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE COMMISSION ON CHRISTIAN UNITY.

COPY OF LETTER SENT IN TRANSMITTING THE DECLARATION OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

ALEXANDRIA, LA.

To the Secretary of the General Council of the ——— Church:

REVEREND AND DEAR SIR, — I am instructed, as Secretary of the Commission on Christian Unity of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, to transmit to your General Assembly the enclosed papers. They consist of a Declaration put forth by our House of Bishops on the subject of Christian Unity, and the action of our General Convention in the appointment of our Commission, and the vesting in it certain authority. Acting under that authority the Commission does now by these presents communicate to your General Assembly the aforesaid Declaration and announces its readiness to enter into brotherly conference with you, trusting that you may be numbered among those Christian bodies that are seeking the restoration of the organic unity of the Church.

With all Christian greetings and the earnest hope that you will see proper to unite with us in labour for the fulfilment of the Master's prayer.

Very truly and fraternally,
HERMAN C. DUNCAN, *Secretary.*

Transmitted to Southern Baptist Association; General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church; General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church; General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, South; General Synod of the Reformed Church, German; General Christian Missionary Convention; United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South; American Baptist Home Mission Society; General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church; General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church; General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; National Baptist Association, North; General Synod of the German Lutherans; General Synod of the Allbright German Methodists; General Council of the Evangelical Lutherans; Provincial Synod of the Unitas Fratrum-Moravians; General Synod of the Reformed Church, Dutch; General Convention of the Congregationalists.

RESPONSE OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

To the Commission on Christian Unity of the House of Bishops and of the House of Deputies of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church convened in the City of Chicago, Oct. 27, 1886:

DEAR BROTHERS, — The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, now in session at Omaha, Nebraska, have received with sincere gratification the "Declaration" of your House

of Bishops, and your request, under it, for a brotherly conference with us and other branches of the Church of Christ, "seeking the restoration of the organic unity of the Church, with a view to the earnest study of the conditions under which so priceless a blessing might happily be brought to pass."

The General Assembly are in cordial sympathy with the growing desire among the Evangelical Christian Churches for practical unity and co-operation in the work of spreading the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ throughout all the earth, and they respond to your invitation with the sincere desire that the conference asked for may lead, if not to a formal oneness of organization, yet to such a vital and essential unity of faith and spirit and co-operation as shall bring all the followers of our Common Lord into hearty fellowship, and to mutual recognition and affection, and to ministerial reciprocity, in the branches of the one visible Church of Christ, working together with Him in advancing His Kingdom upon earth.

Without entering here into consideration of any of the principles which your House of Bishops lay down "as essential to the restoration of unity among the divided branches of Christendom," but leaving the consideration of them to the conference which you request, the General Assembly have appointed, Ministers—Joseph T. Smith, D.D., Robert M. Patterson, D.D., David C. Marquis, D.D., William Henry Green, D.D., LL.D., Samuel J. Nicholls, D.D., William H. Roberts, D.D., Francis Brown, D.D., Ransom B. Welch, D.D., with Ruling Elders—Hon. James A. Beaver, Hon. Cyrus L. Pershing, Hon. Robert N. Willson, William E. Dodge, Hon. Samuel M. Breckinridge, Dr. William C. Gray, and E. R. Monfort, LL.D., a committee to confer with you and with any similar commissions or committees that may be appointed by any other Christian Churches for conference, with instructions to report to the next General Assembly the results of their deliberations.

Very truly and fraternally yours,

JOSEPH T. SMITH, *Moderator.*

WILLIAM H. ROBERTS, *Stated Clerk.*

LETTER FROM OUR COMMISSION.

To the Committee on Christian Unity of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America:

DEAR BRETHREN,—Your letter has given us much joy and has encouraged us to look with renewed hope for the unity of all who love the blessed Master.

It has been carefully considered by our Commission, and we have deemed it best to ask that for the time being our conferences may be conducted in writing. There would be danger during an oral conference, just at the present time, of the intrusion of a debate that might seriously interfere with the accomplishment of the object we both of us, it is hoped, have at heart. We cannot hide from ourselves that important differences now separate us, but we suggest that a consideration of these may properly be postponed until we have found a basis of substantial agreement, and then peradventure, we shall discover that these differences are not of such a character as to prevent our union.

Let us bear in mind, brethren, that the Master prayed that His followers might be one even as He and the Father are one. An unity that does not fully reflect the unity of the indivisible Trinity does not fulfil the prayer of the Master. Such unity may in this age seem to some but a dream, yet may we not trust that if we are but faithful in our labours to that end an Almighty power will bring it to pass? If the work

were ours we should faint, but it is of God, who worketh in us both to will and to do in answer to our united efforts.

Only let us grasp the idea of unity that is the Master's conception of unity. Let us labour until the consummation is attained.

We note in your communication that your committee is empowered to consider with us the principles "essential to a restoration of unity." We, therefore, suggest as a primary proposition that there are certain principles that are essential for the preservation of the Faith and Order of God's Kingdom, and that all else may be held, or rejected by the private judgment of each. There are things very dear to us that are not named among the principles enumerated in the Declaration of our Bishops. These we have not treated as matters indifferent, yet as those we do not deem essential and which in the United Church we should be willing to leave open to be decided by local authorities.

We hold ourselves ready, however, to surrender everything that may conflict with those principles that we shall determine to be essentially necessary to unity.

We take notice that your General Assembly expressly left the consideration of the principles laid down by our House of Bishops to a conference between us. We, therefore, earnestly invite you to recommend to your General Assembly the acceptance of these matters as principles of unity, and the appointment of yourselves, or others, as commissioners to negotiate the further details of a union.

If you are not prepared to do this, will you not kindly open your minds to us that we may confer together and find, peradventure, a proper solution of the difficulty.

Our proposition then is that the visible Church of Christ, or Kingdom of God on earth, must hold the Faith divinely revealed, and that of the body of the revelation certain truths are essentially necessary to be held to attain unto eternal life, and that these are enumerated in the symbol of faith enunciated by the undivided Church, that is to say, the Creed commonly called the Nicene; the two Sacraments of Christ's ordination duly ministered; together with such polity as is necessary for the ordering of the Kingdom, and this polity that which held in the undivided Church, modified in its application, but not in its original organism, according to changes required by differences of age and circumstances of times.

Very truly and fraternally,

HERMAN C. DUNCAN,

Secretary of the Commission.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., March 27, 1888.

LETTER FROM THE PRESBYTERIAN COMMITTEE.

To the Commission on Church Unity of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church:

DEAR BRETHREN,—We have read with care the letter of your Commission. We recognize the admirable spirit of the paper, and its genuine Christian courtesy throughout, and are equally sincere and earnest in our desire that such a unity may be brought about among the different branches of the Church of Christ, as shall perfectly accord with the mind of the blessed Redeemer, and in the hope that the correspondence in which we are now engaged may by His grace be made to conduce to this most desirable end.

We understand you to present, as proposed terms of unity, the four Propositions which were stated by your House of Bishops.

We can accept as principles of unity the first three of these, as follows:

1. The Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the revealed word of God.

2. The Nicene Creed as the sufficient statement of the Christian Faith; understanding by this that it is such a statement of the essential truths of Christianity as may form a proper bond of Church fellowship among all who adhere to it, but not that it embraces all that we hold to be precious and important, nor that in accepting it we should be understood to give up our attachment to and use of the Westminster Confession of Faith as an ampler exhibition of what we believe to be taught in Holy Scripture.

3. The two Sacraments, Baptism and the Supper of the Lord, ministered with unfailing use of Christ's words of institution and of the elements ordained by Him.

We can with equal readiness accept the fourth proposition according to our understanding of its terms. It is as follows: "The Historic Episcopate, locally adapted in the methods of its administration to the varying needs of the nations and peoples called of God into the unity of His Church." The Presbyterian Church holds, and always has held firmly, to what we believe to be the genuinely historic Episcopate as this is set forth in the New Testament, and in the practice of the early Church, so far as it did not swerve from apostolic models and directions. It finds the Presbyter-Bishop in all ages of the Church, in unbroken succession until the present day. At the same time we are not disposed to constrain others to adopt our interpretation in this matter. We shall feel no difficulty in uniting with those who interpret the Bishops of the New Testament and of the primitive Church differently from ourselves, provided our own liberty of interpretation is not infringed. We can unite with those who think Bishops to be a superior order of the Clergy, provided we ourselves are not asked to abandon our own conscientious conviction that Bishops as instituted by the Apostles are not of superior rank, but that all who are ordained to the ministry by the laying on of hands of the Presbytery and are entrusted with the care and oversight of souls are Bishops. May we not assume that you will accord to us all the liberty in interpreting this term which has been enjoyed by your own ministry, and by that of the Anglican Church in this and earlier generations? If we are correct in our understanding of this fourth proposition, and it is intended to embrace the historic Episcopate in the various forms in which it prevails in different countries and in different branches of the Church of Christ, we yield to it our cordial assent, and are prepared to recommend to our General Assembly to conduct further negotiations with reference to a union on the basis of the four propositions of your House of Bishops.

In this connection, dear brethren, as you request us to open our minds freely to you, permit us to emphasize a point which we think essential to have understood.

The General Assembly which appointed us affirmed this "statement of the principles whereby, in its judgment, practical Church unity can be realized and maintained.

"1. All believers in Christ constitute one body, mystical, yet real, and destined to grow into the fulness of Him who filleth all in all.

"2. The universal visible Church consists of all those throughout the world, who profess the true religion, together with their children.

"3. Mutual recognition and reciprocity between the different bodies who profess the true religion, is the first and essential step toward practical Church unity." — (*Minutes*, 1887, p. 156.)

Permit us to express the hope that you will find nothing in this statement of principles which you cannot approve.

The Presbyterian Church recognizes all bodies professing the true

religion as branches of the visible Church of Christ, and it recognizes the validity of their Ministry and Sacraments. Differences of view in relation to ecclesiastical polity need be no bar to mutual recognition and reciprocity. It seems to us that that should be confessed to be a true Church of Christ, in which His spirit manifests His saving and sanctifying power, in which His truth is professed; His word preached and His ordinances dispensed; and it may be so confessed even by those who hold a theory of Church polity according to which its organization is imperfect and irregular. And the same applies to Ordination and the administration of the Sacraments; they may be confessed to be valid even by those who esteem them to be irregular.

Allow us, brethren, to add — and in this we trust we are in full accord with you — that in our judgment organic unity does not imply absolute uniformity, but the reverse. The one indivisible life is not only consistent with, but requires for its proper unfolding, diverse operations and manifestations. The historic Churches of Christendom, under the guidance of God's good Spirit, in the course of their manifold experiences, have each contributed to unfold the Christian life in some one particular form or mode, though with defects and excrescences, no doubt, which ought to be corrected and removed. Yet with all due allowance for errors and imperfections, each body has conserved something, or developed something, which it will be for the general good to retain. If the best results are to be accomplished by the union of Christendom, it will not necessarily be by the obliteration of existing bodies, but may be by including them in a larger unity.

We hope to receive a response to our communication which may be a token for good. And, awaiting this, we will ask our General Assembly to continue our Committee. If, as we hope, the views herein expressed prove acceptable to your Commission, will you not lay them before the body which appointed you, and ask their concurrence and authority to devise measures in conjunction with Committees from our own and other Churches for carrying them into effect?

JOSEPH T. SMITH, *Chairman.*
FRANCIS BROWN, *Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA, PA., May 24, 1888.

RESPONSE OF OUR COMMISSION.

NEW YORK, October 9, 1889.

To the Committee on Christian Unity of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church:

DEAR BRETHREN, — We have received and read with much pleasure your letter of May 24, 1888, delayed in its transmission by failure of the mails. Your communication has rejoiced our hearts, inspired our expectations, and confirmed our confidence in your wisdom, piety, and Christian brotherhood, which originated our movement in this charitable work.

We have been searching to find a basis on which negotiations for Christian Unity might be secured. On three of the four principles of such foundation we are happily agreed. On the fourth we may say in reply to you that the only authoritative deliverance in respect to the threefold character of the Orders of the sacred Ministry that our Church hath put forth is found in the preface to our ordinal, wherein it is declared "that it is evident unto all men diligently reading Holy Scripture and ancient authors that from the Apostles' time there have been these Orders of Ministers in Christ's Church, Bishops, Priests, and Deacons." This we believe to have been placed in that position as the statement of what is historic, what is evident unto all, and not at all as a

dogmatic article of faith. It is placed there as a declaration of ecclesiastical polity, as this Church hath inherited the same.

This reply we presume will meet your declaration, and, therefore, receive your cordial assent. We, therefore, respectfully suggest that you "recommend to your General Assembly to conduct further negotiations with reference to a union on the basis of the four propositions of our House of Bishops," and we shall take pleasure in asking like authority for ourselves.

With respect to the other matters contained in your letter, mutual recognition and reciprocity, we have to say that our authority at present extends only to a search for the basis of unity. A recognition of the manifold workings of God's Holy Spirit within your Communion, bringing forth the peaceable fruits of righteousness, is but to give expression to what is evident unto all, and could not be withheld, were there any disposition, which there is not, so to do.

The question of reciprocity is one that will probably be for consideration as a tentative measure in the course of our further negotiations. We think it must necessarily be delayed in its consideration until after we shall have received information of the action of your General Assembly on the proposition that you will, as we understand, lay before them. We believe further, that the great end of our endeavours will be promoted by such delay.

Our Commission is now in this city, and we should be much pleased to receive you to an oral conference at an early day. We have had the pleasure of greeting several of your members, and the benefits of acquaintance and personal intercourse we have experienced, and we feel that the great object for which we are labouring would be greatly advanced by such conference.

Believe me, dear brethren, yours very truly and fraternally,
 HERMAN C. DUNCAN,
*Secretary of the Commission on Christian Unity of
 the Protestant Episcopal Church.*

LETTER FROM THE PRESBYTERIAN COMMITTEE.

SARATOGA, N. Y., May 14, 1890.

To the Committee on Church Unity of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church:

DEAR BRETHREN, — We have received your courteous reply to our communication, and are gratified by the expression of your belief that the only authoritative deliverance of your Church in relation to three Orders of the Ministry is not at all a dogmatic article of faith, but a declaration of ecclesiastical polity as your Church hath inherited the same; and that it is simply a statement of what in your view is historic and evident to all. While respectfully, but earnestly, recalling your attention to the action of our General Assembly, as reported in our former letter, and to our remarks in connection with it, we may now say that, understanding that our concurrence is not demanded in the statement prefixed to your ordinal, affirming the history and the evidence of three Orders of the Ministry, we are prepared to recommend to our General Assembly to conduct further negotiations with reference to a union on the basis of the four propositions of your House of Bishops.

Meanwhile we will fervently pray that the Lord would incline the hearts of all His people more to the things which make for peace and the things whereby they may edify one another, that He would graciously remove all grounds of offence and all hindrances to a perfect union out of the way, and that He would enable those who truly love

Him and who bear His image to love one another with a pure heart fervently, giving due prominence to those great essential matters of our holy religion in which they agree, and attaching less importance to matters of minor consequence in which they differ, until with advancing light and clearer apprehensions these differences shall finally disappear, or shall, at least, cease to separate those who are one body in Christ Jesus.

We shall carry with us delightful remembrances of the pleasant fraternal intercourse which we have been permitted to have with the members of your Commission personally; and we invoke upon you and upon that honoured branch of the Church which you represent the richest blessings of divine grace. We shall rejoice in your prosperity and enlargement and more abundant usefulness; and we shall know no rivalry but that of being stirred up by your example to increased zeal and devotion in the cause of our blessed Master.

And now, brethren, may the God of love and peace be with you.
Amen.

JOSEPH T. SMITH, *Chairman.*

FRANCIS BROWN, *Secretary.*

For the Committee on Church Unity of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

LETTER OF OUR COMMISSION.

NOTE.—The interval between the date of this letter and the one above was filled by several unofficial communications between the respective Secretaries of our Commission and the Presbyterian Committee and by an oral conference held in Baltimore, October 11, 1892.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., November 18, 1892.

To the Committee on Christian Unity of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church:

DEAR BRETHREN,—Your communication notifying us that your General Assembly had adopted a resolution authorizing and instructing you to proceed to continued conference with us in the matter of Christian Unity, on the basis of the four points esteemed by us as essential thereto, has been received.

We gather from your letters and from your expressions in oral conferences we have enjoyed with you, that there are many essential matters in which we are agreed. Suffer us briefly to rehearse these. In days gone by it was the habit of men to glorify divisions; now the great evil of them is generally conceded, and the sin of them acknowledged and deplored.

We are agreed also that the ultimate aim of those who seek the unity of the Divine Master's Kingdom is and must be a corporate union, as that alone can reflect the union that is between the Father and the Son—the only unity that can be esteemed responsive to the prayer of the Lord Christ.

It is evident, however, that we have not yet reached an agreement respecting the meaning and significance of some of the terms used in the Declaration of the component parts of the very basis on which our conferences are to be conducted.

We are convinced that we have not yet reached a stage of proximate unity, which, when it may be reached, will necessarily require a free and fraternal discussion of what are considered the crucial difficulties in the way of ultimate agreement and loving concord. May we not leave these matters to the influences of the Holy Spirit, who may, in His own good time, lead us to surprising evidences of His power to remove mountains,

when the triumphs of His grace and truth are the sole objects of His faithful people in their labours and prayers?

First of all, let us learn to understand and love one another. Let us promote every convenient form of social and godly intercourse. Let us impress upon Christians who differ from us where we, Presbyterians and Anglicans, are agreed, that we recognize great Christian principles on which we are entirely united; that we cherish each other's character and reputations as fellow-Christians; that we rejoice in the points in which there are advantages on either side, which are examples to both; that we are striving together, in many ways, for the triumph of the Gospel and the glory of Christ. To quote the words of one who is honoured alike by both of us: "It is of the utmost importance to allay groundless suspicion; to do away with jealousy and rivalry, and to bring about a conciliatory state of mind. Episcopalians and Presbyterians are too far apart; they contemplate each other at a distance, hence they do not understand each other. They have much in common; they agree in doctrine, they love the same precious truths, they serve the same Lord: they desire above all things the advancement of His Kingdom and glory; their inward spiritual experience is substantially the same; they are struggling to realize in their heart and life the image of Christ; they are labouring alike to do good to the bodies and souls of those around them, and to bring this lost world to God and to salvation. But they dwell in separate camps; they never confer together about matters of common interest; they do not look into each other's eyes, nor open their hearts to each other. If personal intercourse could in some way be promoted, however informal; if they could be brought together for the promotion of common ends; if the spiritual unity which already exists could find some practical expression; if they could be enlisted together in some common cause,—they would appreciate each other better and would yearn for a closer union, not merely as a matter of duty to Christ, but from a strong and growing attachment. Assimilation would then be easy, because they would love each other too much to remain longer apart. But the attempt to combine them before either party is ready for it would, in my opinion, not be wise."

For the present, we think the next three years may be most profitably spent in acting on these suggestions. It is our hope that we may be permitted to meet as a Commission at the time and in the city in which your General Assembly will next convene, at which time we should be glad to have opportunity for further oral conference, with a view to reaching a better and complete understanding of the meaning of the terms used in the Declaration of those things agreed on as essential elements of the basis of Christian unity.

As a matter of probable interest to you, we have to communicate to you that our House of Deputies of the General Convention, recently in session, adopted as its own the Declaration on Christian Unity of the Bishops of the Anglican Communion, assembled at Lambeth, England, in July, 1888, and which was substantially the same as the Declaration of our House of Bishops adopted in 1886 and already transmitted to you.

Believe me, dear brethren, to be yours very truly and affectionately.

HERMAN C. DUNCAN,

Secretary of the Commission on Christian Unity.

REPLY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN COMMITTEE.

NEW YORK, March 2, 1893.

To the Episcopal Commission on Church Unity:

DEAR BRETHREN, — We have read your letter with great satisfaction, and hope that we may be permitted to see in it the prospect of some

advance toward the object which we all have so much at heart. There are, no doubt, serious points of difference between us, which it would not be profitable now to discuss, but there are also important matters in which we cordially agree.

The four propositions of your House of Bishops, re-affirmed at Lambeth, and adopted by your House of Deputies, we regard as a definite proposal looking toward the reunion of Christendom, and embodying your views of the proper basis of such a union. We have explained in a former communication how far it is possible for us, with our present light, to assent to this basis. We recognize with you that we have not yet reached an agreement respecting the meaning and signification of some of the terms used in the propositions above referred to. And we shall be glad to have an opportunity, as you suggest, for further oral conference with a view to reach a better and complete understanding on these points at the time of the meeting of our General Assembly in Washington. And we cordially appreciate your courtesy in proposing to meet with us at that time.

Meanwhile we find in the suggestions of your letter a gleam of hope that there may be a better way of composing our differences. If we shall fix our thoughts upon those things in which as believers in the Lord Jesus Christ we are at one, rather than upon those in which we thus far fail to agree, the magnitude of the former may grow in our esteem, and we may thus be ultimately prepared to come into closer accord in the latter.

While we are not yet prepared for a perfect union, such as is greatly to be desired among the true people of God, and such as the promises of Scripture lead us to anticipate in the future; while we are not even prepared to formulate the terms upon which such a union may hereafter be effected, can we not at least take a step in that direction, trusting that the Lord will open the way for another and another, until the goal that we seek shall at least be reached? If we cannot at once accomplish all that we wish, let us at least do all that we can, without sacrifice of principle or surrender of what we honestly believe to be the sacred deposit of Christian truth. Whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same things, cherishing the hope, in regard to all that is still obscure, that God will reveal even this unto us.

Inasmuch as the way has not yet been made clear to effect Church unity by formal agreement to definite propositions, we heartily assent to your proposal that we should seek to work our way towards it by proposing mutual love and kindly fraternal intercourse and combining together for the accomplishment of common ends. No external unity is worthy of the name which is not the manifestation and expression of a genuine inward spiritual unity. If we cannot as yet unite as Churches, can we not come together as Christians, lovers of the same Lord, partakers of the same blessed hope, animated by the same Divine Spirit dwelling alike in all our hearts, and striving after the one grand aim of the glory of Christ in the recovery of lost men from sin and from all the woes into which sin has plunged them?

Cannot some practical mode of co-operation be devised by which, for the present, the members of our two Communion can be brought together in the assemblies, possibly even in the same organizations? In endeavouring to do the work of Christ in our respective Churches, and to spread His Gospel among them that are without, we encounter the same problems, we meet similar difficulties, and we employ our various methods of solving and removing them. Might we not with mutual advantage come together to confer about these things, and get the benefit of each other's experience and counsel, and encourage our hearts and

strengthen our hands by association with fellow workers in the same field?

Cannot some measures be devised by which we shall stand together on questions of moral reform and by which we shall present a united front in antagonizing the evils which we alike oppose, and let the public see and feel that there is no division between Episcopalians and Presbyterians here, but that they are joined in one with one heart and one soul in stemming the floods of vice and iniquity, and rescuing the fallen from the grasp of the destroyer? There are great social questions in which we are alike interested — the care of the poor, the delicate and often disturbed relations of labour and capital, the infusion of Gospel principles into all the affairs of ordinary life, into business, and legislation and the general intercourse of men. Cannot Episcopalians and Presbyterians profitably combine in the study of these questions and in giving effect to the conclusions at which they arrive?

Cannot something be done towards creating a sentiment of mutual respect and friendly regard in our general Church work, especially in mission fields both at home and abroad? Cannot something be done even here, if not in the way of positive co-operation, yet to discourage and discountenance mutual interference, needless collision, or the unwise duplication of labourers in sparsely populated districts?

We have ventured to offer suggestions rather than to outline any distinctly formulated plan. But if Episcopalians and Presbyterians can personally be brought into closer mutual relations, can be associated together in some public manner in common enterprises, can plan, consult, and work together for the attainment of common ends; if that measure of isolation which now keeps them apart can be succeeded by active, friendly intercourse, and this can be so managed that no antagonisms shall be awakened, and all our differences shall for the time be kept out of sight, and only that be suffered which will tend to promote harmony and fraternal feeling, we shall feel that a decided step has been taken in the direction of Christian Unity. If mutual love and true fellowship of the spirit shall thus be assiduously cultivated, we may cherish the hope that we shall yet come to see eye to eye even in the matters that now appear to divide us beyond remedy.

We remain, dear brethren, most truly and fraternally yours,

JOSEPH T. SMITH, *Chairman.*

FRANCIS BROWN, *Secretary.*

For the Committee on Church Unity of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S. of A.

A third oral conference was held in Washington, D.C., May 17, 1893.

LETTER OF OUR COMMISSION.

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 18, 1893.

To the Committee on Christian Unity of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church.

DEAR BRETHREN, — We acknowledge with great pleasure the receipt of your letter of March 2 last, and we desire to thank you for the many kindly courtesies extended to us heretofore, but more especially those that we enjoyed upon yesterday.

The freedom of speech employed in our oral conferences has, in our opinion, been most helpful. The opening of your minds to us has the better enabled us to speak freely to you, and has greatly conduced, in our opinion, to mutual understanding, thereby fitting us the better to

comprehend and master the great and important problems with which we have to deal.

It has been suggested to us that there exists some lack of clearness of understanding with respect to some phrases used in the Declaration of 1886, which stands as the basis of our conferences. It may be profitable to submit to you the interpretation that we place upon one of these — the “local adaptation” of the Historic Episcopate in the methods of its administration to the varying needs of the nations and peoples called of God into the unity of His Church.

We take the phrase to carry the idea of constitutional government. The authority vested in the Episcopate, the manner and mode of its preservation and extension, are to be regulated by law, and this law, while fundamental or constitutional in nature, yet is to be subject to alteration or amendment on grave occasions when the exigencies of the times shall demonstrate the necessity for such change or alteration. Among ourselves we have differing methods for the choice of those who are to be invested with the authority of the Episcopate. In the autonomous Diocese the elders and brethren, the Clergy and Laity, choose whom they will and present him to the Bishops of the land for the confirmation of their choice. In the Missions the process is reversed; the House of Bishops nominates or elects a qualified person and presents him for the suffrages of the chosen representatives of the Clergy and Laity, not of the Mission, but of the whole land. Again, the ordination of Presbyters and Deacons, the manner in which the authority given them and that given to their Bishops shall be mutually exercised — the relationship of those respective authorities — in a word, all matters of administration are with us regulated by law. The Bishops do not perform the executive functions of their office in any arbitrary manner, but ever under and by law. These regulations, as now enacted, are satisfactory to us, yet we desire to say that, appreciating the urgent necessity of Church Unity, and endeavouring to fulfil the law of sacrifice entailed and necessitated by the constraining power of love, we are ready to modify, if necessary, many things esteemed most highly by us, if by such sacrifice only the goal may be attained. To others, which we are prepared to sacrifice, we are ready to add these also, and to alter and amend the law governing the Episcopate in such particulars as may be apparent as necessary in the adaptation to the changed conditions which a union of American Christians might present.

For the further and better understanding of our own conceptions of the place of the Presbyter or elder, or, as termed in the Scriptures, the Episcopo-presbyter, we desire to say further that in all of our legislative bodies, and in many of the executive boards and committees, the Presbyterate is endowed with full and co-ordinate powers. All of our local legislative Councils are composed of the Clergy of the District or Diocese involved and of lay representatives of the several congregations, the Bishop being the presiding officer. Legislation is originated by both Clergymen and Laymen, and enacted under the usual forms of procedure. In the General Convention, which is the legislative body for the whole Church, there are two Houses, the one of the Bishops, the other of the Clergy and Lay Deputies, chosen by the respective Diocesan Councils. No canon, or law, is, or can be, enacted without the concurrence of the House of Deputies. In every Diocese, the Bishop being absent or incapacitated from the performance of the functions of his office for any cause, the Standing Committee, composed in two or three Dioceses of Presbyters exclusively, but generally of both Presbyters and Laymen, is the Ecclesiastical Authority of that Diocese for the time being with the power to administer the same.

Briefly to sum it up, according to our understanding, our Church in

America to-day stands with the authority of the Presbyterate fully recognized, and with it standing in its relative position of control of legislation, precisely as the English Presbyterians of 1660 asked that it might stand in the Church of England, when they professed that they would be content with the Anglican Episcopate, provided such place and such authority were secured to the body of the Presbyterate.

Replying now more specifically to your letter of March 2, we desire to say that we recognize the propriety, nay, the necessity, of co-operation in all humanitarian labour, whether that endeavour be in the resistance to evils which afflict society, be those evils of a social or political sort, or perhaps working to the enslavement and the spiritual bondage of the consciences of men to any yoke of tyranny, or be the endeavour for the rescue from physical or moral sloughs of women or of men, or for the healing of the wounds and distempers of the suffering; for the caring for the afflicted, the lame, the halt, the blind, or for the advancement, the development, the elevation, in any true way of mankind.

We are prepared to advise and recommend such co-operation as you ask wherever and whenever our influence extends.

We desire further to suggest as a measure eminently conducive to a better acquaintance between ourselves; to the growth of mutual understanding, and its concomitant love of one another; to the drawing together; to the final and ultimate attainment of corporate unity, the goal never to be lost to sight, or in any way obscured to our vision; the holding of public meetings within our borders in the interest of Christian Unity, to be addressed, whenever practicable, by speakers representing both of our Churches. Further, that our peoples be urged to private as well as public prayer for the healing of our unhappy divisions, to the end that there may come to be one fold under the one Shepherd.

We respectfully ask that you unite with us in the setting forth of the necessity for the reorganization of American Christianity, to the end that the waste of force now so sadly dissipated, and lost because dissipated, may be estopped; the moral power so ineffectual, because divided, given its inherent usefulness; to the end, above all, that the good pleasure of the blessed Lord may be accomplished in the unity of His servants, that so this American people — aye, the world — may be made to believe that the Son did indeed come into the world for the healing of every wound of the nations and kindreds and tribes.

It will be understood, of course, that while these expressions voice the unanimous opinion of our Commission as here represented, they do not spring from any instructions that we have received, our General Convention not having been in session.

We continue, brethren beloved, your friends and fellow-servants of our one and common Lord and Saviour.

For the Commission,

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, *Secretary.*

REPLY OF THE PRESBYTERIANS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 19, 1893.

To the Commission on Church Unity of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church:

DEAR BRETHREN, — Your communication of May 18 has been carefully considered by our Committee, and we desire to say in reply that it has given us special gratification. The statement which you make with reference to the polity of your Church, the emphasis which you place upon principles of Church government common to us both, the fact that you have recognized the authority of the Presbyterate insisted upon by some of the English Presbyterians in A. D. 1660, and the gener-

ous avowal on your part that you are "ready to modify, if necessary, many things most highly esteemed by you, if by such sacrifice only the goal may be attained," lead us to hope that a nearer approach and closer co-operation between the bodies we represent is possible in the near future.

We also avow our readiness to make the same sacrifice in order to the securing of Christian Unity. In common with yourselves we have traditions, laws, and usages which, while they do not embody essential truth, are still profitable and dear to us. These we would be ready to abandon, and substitute for them other forms, not unscriptural, if thereby we could promote the healing of divisions among Christian Churches, and secure the fulfilment of our Lord's Prayer, that we all may be one.

We thank you for your cordial response to our desire for co-operation in that you say you are ready to engage with us in all humanitarian work. We also heartily approve of the measures suggested by you for the promoting of better acquaintance between the bodies represented by us; namely, the holding of public meetings within our borders in the interest of Christian Unity, to be addressed, when practicable, by speakers representing both our Churches; and that our people be urged to private as well as public prayer for the healing of our unhappy divisions. We will take pleasure in asking our Assembly to approve the measures which you have suggested.

Permit us also, in this connection, to ask your earnest attention to another means which we believe would tend to a better understanding between our respective bodies, and greatly aid the cause of Christian Unity. It is a custom largely prevailing among the various branches of the Protestant Church for pastors occasionally to exchange pulpits in the preaching of the Word. Experience has shown that this custom has been one of the most powerful factors in leading to a better understanding and a closer fellowship between the Churches among whom it has prevailed. We believe that the establishment of this same practice under proper regulations between the great historic Churches represented by us would greatly promote the cause of unity which we both desire. We recognize the right and duty of each Church to protect its pulpits from the intrusion of all unauthorized or self-appointed preachers of the Word, and to take such measures as shall best secure the teaching of pure doctrine. Also, this custom, if established between us, should not be in unregulated liberty, but under such rules and limitations as the Episcopal authority of both bodies may agree upon.

We respectfully ask your consideration of this matter, and, as we have already assented to three of the propositions advanced by you, we are not without hope that through a better acquaintance by means of some of the measures proposed, and especially under the guidance of the Spirit of Truth, we may be able to reach a satisfactory solution of the fourth proposition.

We can assure you that our General Assembly will take pleasure in co-operating with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in all wise and Scriptural measures for the re-organization of the American Church, so as to prevent the waste of means and to secure the greatest efficiency in our common work.

Yours in Christian fellowship,

J. T. SMITH, *Chairman.*

FRANCIS BROWN, *Secretary.*

For the Committee on Church Unity of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

NOTE.—It is deemed important to insert in this place the following abstract of a letter from the Secretary of the Presbyterian Committee, in reply to a request made him by the Secretary of our Commission for an interpretation of a phrase used in the above letter:

"I was intending to express to you distinctly the understanding of our Committee on Church Unity, with reference to the term 'Episcopal Authority,' used in our letter to your Commission of May 19, 1893, as applied to ourselves. In the Presbyterian Church we are accustomed to speak of the 'Episcopal authority' of a Presbytery. It is in this sense, and not with any thought of claiming 'Episcopal authority' for our individual ministers that the term has significance in our polity, and is used in our communication to you."

LETTER OF OUR COMMISSION.

BALTIMORE, April 16, 1894.

To the Committee on Christian Unity of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church:

BRETHREN, BELOVED IN THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, — We gratefully acknowledge your most courteous and truly Christian reply to our communication of May 18, 1893. It was the prelude of informal conferences between eminent Presbyterians and ourselves, which have been steadily maintained ever since, with many happy results. By such conferences, and the growing correspondence between members of our two bodies, with brotherly inquiries and mutual explanations, a new state of things has been begun, from which, even if immediate results are not apparent, the deeper root may be given to principles already recognized as furnishing the base of ultimate restoration.

You have the advantage of us, in your annual Councils; and we are embarrassed by the fact that, as our Triennial Council meets not again until the autumn of 1895, we can only answer by an expression of our personal sentiments, not yet submitted to the body to which we are responsible. We can do no more than assure you of the high appreciation with which your communications will be received. We hope to present your letter, with any further correspondence with which you honour us, to the two Houses of our Great Legislature which will convene D. V. in October of the next year.

In the meantime, may our united prayers continually ascend to the Great Head of the Church, that He would take the cause into His own Hand, and in the ways of His Providence so order all things in behalf of His whole flock in all the world that there may be an end of our unhappy divisions." May He increase our faith and enable each one of us with fervent charity to live and labour for the "restoration of all things," and "the times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord." Is it too much to believe that He who has awakened in so many godly souls a yearning for the oneness He has commended, is able to answer their patient prayers for the practical obedience of all believers to the precept which was once exemplified by the disciples, as a perpetual example? Not in vain, we suppose, is the inspired record given us, "like the pattern in the Mount" of the old Law: "They that gladly received His word were baptized . . . and they continued steadfastly in (1) the Apostles' doctrine, and (2) fellowship, (3) in the breaking of bread, and (4) the prayers."

May grace, mercy, and peace be multiplied unto you, in all your counsels and efforts for the glory of God, and for the good of our common country, now suffering from such undisciplined and distracting concussions of the way of God, and of the Truth as it is in Jesus.

Your friends and fellow-servants in the work of the Gospel,

A. CLEVELAND CONE, *Chairman,*

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, *Secretary,*

For the Commission on Christian Unity.

Resolution of the Presbyterian General Assembly:

On the 18th of May, 1894, the General Assembly of the Presbyterians took the following action, and it was duly communicated to us, to wit:

The General Assembly, on the request of its Committee, directs it to suspend further correspondence with the Protestant Episcopal Commission, until that Commission secures from its General Convention instructions to accept and act upon the doctrine of mutual recognition and reciprocity.

LETTER OF OUR COMMISSION.

To the Rev. W. H. Roberts, D.D., LL.D., etc., Clerk (pro tem.) of the Committee of the General Assembly, etc.

REVEREND AND DEAR SIR, — Your fraternal communications, heretofore acknowledged, seem to require of us some further communications, such as your Committee may present, if thought proper, in their report to your approaching General Assembly.

Once more we labour under the difficulty of being unable to say anything definite, because our Councils meet triennially, while your Assembly meets annually. We can only announce our purpose (D.V.) to report to our "General Convention," in October next, somewhat to the following effect, which you will please accept as a draught of our views and purposes; viz., In the papers we present herewith, our Presbyterian brethren have conveyed to us an expression of their views, equivalent to a desire on their part to suspend negotiations for the present. While acquiescing in their proposal, we by no means consider such suspension as indicative of a hopeless future. In full assurance, rather, that the divine precept will eventually be obeyed, and that all things in the religious condition of our country appeal to Christian consciences, with irresistible force, in favour of healing existing divisions, we await a future not remote, in the spirit of prayer and supplication. With calm reliance upon the Great Head of the Church, who is ready to correct all the evils of disobedience, "when our obedience is fulfilled" (2 Cor. x. 6), may we do our part and leave the rest to Him.

From our point of view, a great advance has been practically made in the line of what is called "reciprocity." Temperate discussion, in an earnest, fraternal spirit, has already succeeded to controversy, more or less embittered, and Christian conferences established between the great bodies we respectively represent have produced a new period in our mutual relations. It strikes us that the more developed stages of "reciprocity" are only to be looked for, and under divine blessing, as the logical product of such conferences, and that to make the ends we have in view conditions precedent to the use of means for the ultimate attainment of those ends would involve a *hysteron proteron* such as both parties would hardly insist upon at this time.

While acquiescing, therefore, in the judgment of the reverend and honourable Assembly, we entertain cheering hopes that what we have heretofore enjoyed in our conferences will soon be renewed under more favourable conditions. We have taken sweet counsels together, and in prayers and intercessions, as well as in conferences, have found reason to believe that God is with us of a truth, and is working for great results which we are not as yet able to predict. Let us often renew the prayer of the first disciples, "Lord, increase our faith."

On behalf of the Commission, let me remain, reverend and dear sir, with distinguished consideration, and with sincere Christian and fraternal love, your faithful friend and servant,

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, *Secretary, etc.*

BALTIMORE, April 25, 1895.

LETTER FROM THE PRESBYTERIAN COMMITTEE.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., September 25, 1895.

The Right Rev. A. Cleveland Coxe, D.D., Bishop of Western New York, Chairman of the Commission on Church Unity of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

RT. REV. AND DEAR BRO., —Your letter of April 25, 1895, acknowledging the receipt of our communication containing the action of our General Assembly, touching mutual recognition and reciprocity, has been received. We greatly regret to learn from it that you and your brethren on the Commission regard the action of our Assembly an equivalent to the expression of a desire on its part that all negotiations between us should cease. Such we can authoritatively say was not the intention. The Assembly desires that the negotiations should continue, and result, if not in an organization of the two Churches, at least in closer relations, hearty co-operation in the work of the Lord, and even a federation for that work, and will regret exceedingly if there should be a failure in reaching these highly desirable ends. But the Assembly believes that the mutual recognition and reciprocity which now prevail between the great majority of the Evangelical Churches of Christendom should be explicitly accepted also by your Church. At the time of our appointment in 1887, our General Assembly affirmed that such mutual recognition and reciprocity was "the first and essential step towards practical Church Unity." We so informed you in the beginning of our negotiations, but you responded in substance that you were not then authorized to consider the matter. Your language was, "our authority at present extends only to a search for the basis of unity." "The question of reciprocity is one that will probably be for consideration as a tentative measure in the course of our further negotiations." We again directed your attention to the importance of the question by a proposition for an exchange of pulpits. Receiving from the Chairman of your Commission a communication to the effect that you could not negotiate on that subject, without authority from your General Convention, our General Assembly instructed us to suspend the correspondence until your Commission should secure from your General Convention such authority. This, we repeat, was not the prompting of a desire to end the correspondence, but an expression of the importance of the doctrine of mutual recognition and reciprocity. Our General Assembly did not direct the cessation of correspondence, but only its suspension. We trust that your General Convention will take such action as will leave open the door to future correspondence, — and that such correspondence will lead to the happiest results.

Personally the brotherly conferences in which we have been engaged, have brought to us their own reward. We have learned to know and love each other as brethren, and to rejoice in the recognition of each other's gifts and graces, as we have taken sweet counsel together, and talked one to another of the things pertaining to the King. Our hours of communion with you, dear brethren, we will ever recall with delight, and cherish their memory as blessed preludes to that unbroken communion we hope soon to enjoy with you in the Father's house above. Allow us again to express the earnest desire that nothing which has recently occurred may interrupt our earnest and continued efforts to bring the Churches we respectively represent into closer fellowship and ultimate union with each other.

In behalf of the Committee on Christian Unity of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

WM. HENRY ROBERTS.

REPLY OF OUR COMMISSION.

To the Rev. Dr. Roberts, etc., etc., Philadelphia :

REV. AND DEAR SIR, — In acknowledging your kind communication of September 25, the receipt of which I have already announced by private letter, I congratulate myself that our "General Convention" being now in session, one great obstacle in our fraternal interchanges is removed. For three years we have been obliged to repeat the explanation of our difficulties, in replying to your polite letters, arising from delays on our part, while your corresponding legislature, the General Assembly, has enjoyed more frequent opportunities of giving instructions to your Venerated Committee, and of receiving your reports.

What our General Convention may resolve touching the facts we now lay before them will be duly communicated by our Secretary, at the conclusion of the sessions. For the present, I perform the duty of presenting, at their request, the views of our Commission, as they will be embodied in our report.

We are glad to be informed officially that it was not the intention of the General Assembly to put an end to further communications between us, and we heartily respond to the desire that they may be continued with favourable results.

This assurance, however, would be of greater importance, practically, were it not somewhat modified when you add the words: "But the Assembly believes that the mutual recognition of reciprocity which now prevails between the great majority of Evangelical Churches of Christendom, should be explicitly accepted also by your Church."

Our authority, as we have previously stated, extends only at present to the furthering of a search for a basis of unity under the four conditions recognized in the "Lambeth Quadrilateral" (so-called). The definition of "reciprocity" thus emphatically made gives grave significance, in our opinion, to two paragraphs which state the action of your General Assembly upon your reports to that Reverend and Honourable Body. We quote them as follows:

I.

"In view of this history thus briefly sketched, your Committee believes that the correspondence with the Protestant Episcopal Commission should be suspended until action is taken upon our proposition concerning reciprocity by the General Convention. We recommend, therefore, the following action":

II.

"The General Assembly on the request of its Committee directs it to suspend further correspondence with the Protestant Episcopal Commission until that Commission secures from its General Convention instructions to accept and act upon the doctrine of mutual recognition and reciprocity."

It thus appears that this positive action of the Assembly was taken "on the request of its Committee." In your present polite letter you express the trust that our General Convention "will take such action as will leave open the door to future correspondence." In other words, this door is effectually closed until we comply with the demand which seems to us to substitute for the fourth Lambeth proposition an entirely new condition, one which, in the present stage of our conferences, is a

¹ Minutes of the General Assembly, Anno Domini 1894, p. 25. Ibid., p. 29.

condition not only inconsistent with, but in fact subversive of, its purpose and its spirit.

Its spirit, let me remind our Christian Brethren of the Committee, is the enforcement of our Lord's own conception of unity among His followers expressed in His grand Mediatorial Intercession, on the night before He suffered. His followers were to be one, not in a social or sentimental unity like the friendships between good men, but in a unity like that in which he could say "I and My Father are One." Such unity He made the pre-requisite of Universal Evangelization. Our belief, therefore, is that modern Missions to the heathen will be comparatively unfruitful till the unhappy divisions of true disciples of Christ are effectually healed. Not until then, it follows from the Master's language, will the world believe in the divine mission of the Incarnate Word.

Such being the spirit of the Lambeth propositions, our purpose was to reanimate true Christians to renewed efforts for the restoration of primitive unity as described in Holy Scripture, a unity of common Sacraments and Prayers, the Common Creed, and the Apostolic Fellowship. We did not make any demand for unity with us as a local Church; we called attention to the importance of conformity to the standards of "first faith," "first love," and "first works," prescribed by our Lord Himself to the Churches of Asia. We recognize many things to be amended in ourselves, and much to be admired and imitated in others; but it is by converging lines directed to this common point, from which we have all more or less departed, that we may meet at last. Were we striving for our own aggrandizement, or for principles peculiar to ourselves, we could expect no blessing upon our endeavours. We stated nothing of the kind; we have cited only the Scriptural prescription of the Christian Church, once universally accepted. He who will not "hear the Church" makes himself as a heathen man and a publican. We aim for ourselves to escape this condemnation by conformity to the great principles in which true believers once confronted a hostile world in one communion and fellowship.

With brethren so greatly honoured as those whom we now address through your Committee, it would be an impertinence to speak ambiguously on interests so sacred, involving the propagation of the Gospel to millions of unevangelized men. To conceal in any respect our convictions of truth would be unworthy of ourselves. We do not write as diplomatists; we would be slow to imagine ourselves affronted, and we are most anxious not to give offence; but we cannot accept what is specified *in limine* as the "open door" to further negotiations. Instead of the Historic Episcopate you would substitute "the mutual recognition and reciprocity which now prevail between the great majority of Evangelical Churches of Christendom." Of this sort of unity "an exchange of pulpits" is suggested to us as the outward and visible sign. We must frankly confess that this is the unreal and delusive idea of unity which permits divisions to be multiplied without end, and which we had supposed both your Committee and our Commission were fraternally endeavouring to correct.

Great have been our hopes that Presbyterian brethren were awakening to the fact that we and they were originally one family in the reformed Church of England; that the history of the Anglo-Saxon race is our common history, and that all things in our existing circumstances and relations to our beloved country invite us to set an example of restored unity, and of united effort for the propagation of the blessed Gospel among our own countrymen and in all the world. In three points of the "Lambeth Quadrilateral" (so called) we are supposed to coincide; it is the fourth which we are now called upon to surrender if our communications are to be continued.

Have our Presbyterian brethren forgotten that they themselves, so long ago as in A. D. 1660, pronounced the reformed Episcopate, as we have done, to be the most practical step towards a reunion of Christendom, if ever such a blessing might be regained? They then declared that Presbyterian principles do not conflict with such an Episcopate as that of the Anglican Church, but only require the admission of Presbyters and Laymen to a share in synodical legislation. Was it not reasonable in us to expect the Presbyterians would be the first among American Christians to join us in support of a principle to which they are themselves historically committed? Can anything be conceived of as more likely to make the Gospel in all its practical influences triumphant throughout this land, than such an example of healing a breach, and "restoring paths to dwell in"? Our Commission is united in the conviction that for the present, and until Providence sets before us an "open door" for a resumption of our conferences, it is proper for us to accept the action of the Assembly (made "on the request of its Committee") that such conferences should be suspended, but only for the present.

We know that you will join us in prayer to God for a speedy renewal of our fraternal relations. On our part, we shall pray for forgiveness, if by any fault of our own the proposals of Richard Baxter and his brethren in 1660, were relegated to a suspension, which for two centuries has perpetuated a melancholy division amongst Christians who are so truly described in the Scriptural phrase, "Sirs, ye are brethren."

"Brethren" we are, whose united forces might have accomplished most glorious results for mankind, whose discords have brought reproach upon the Gospel of Christ.

Believe me, reverend and dear brother, that our Commission returns this reply with no feelings of diminished Christian regard for your Committee; and I am personally your obliged friend and brother in Christ.

A. CLEVELAND COXE,

Chairman, etc.

MINNEAPOLIS, October 11, 1895.

RESPONSE OF THE GENERAL SYNOD OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH.

[Extract from the Minutes of June 10, 1887.]

The document assigned at this late hour to Committee No. 31, is the Declaration of the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, adopted at the triennial Convention of that Communion and sent to this body by the Secretary of the Commission appointed by that body to communicate this declaration to the organized Christian bodies of our Country.

In this declaration the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Council assembled solemnly declare to their "fellow-Christians of the different Communions of this land, who in their several spheres have contended for the religion of Christ,"

1. Their earnest desire for the speedy fulfilment in its deepest and truest sense of the Saviour's prayer that "we all may be one."

2. Their belief that all who have been baptized with water in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, are members of the Holy Catholic Church.

3. That all things of human ordering relating to modes of worship and discipline their Church is ready, in the spirit of love and humility, to forego all preferences of her own.

4. That their Church does not seek to absorb other Communions, but rather, co-operating with them on the basis of a common Faith and

order, to discountenance schism, to heal the wounds of the Body of Christ, and to promote the charity which is the chief of Christian graces.

The Bishops furthermore affirm that Christian Unity can be restored by the return of all Christian Communions to the principles of unity exemplified by the undivided Church during the first ages of its existence, holding those principles to be the substantial deposit of Christian Faith and order committed by Christ and His Apostles to the Church, and, therefore incapable of being compromised or surrendered, and they proceed to particularize as inherent parts of this sacred deposit, and, therefore, as essential to the restoration of unity among divided branches of Christendom, the following :

"1. The Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the revealed Word of God.

"2. The Nicene Creed as the sufficient statement of the Christian Faith.

"3. The two Sacraments, Baptism and the Supper of the Lord, ministered with unfailing use of Christ's words of institution, and of the elements ordained by Him.

"4. The Historic Episcopate, locally adapted in the methods of its administration to the varying needs of the Nations and Peoples called of God into the unity of His Church."

And they furthermore declare their desire and readiness, so soon as there shall be any authorized response to this Declaration, "to enter into brotherly conference with all or any Christian bodies seeking the organic unity of the Church."

Resolved, 1, That this body, in accordance with its clearly defined principles, hails every movement intended "to discountenance schism, to heal the wounds of the body of Christ, and to promote the charity which is the chief of Christian graces."

Resolved, 2, That we are especially touched by this fraternal communication from a Communion so closely related in its articles of doctrine and its forms of worship to the Church represented by this body.

Resolved, 3, That while we are profoundly sensible of the evils which so largely mark the divisions of the Christian Church in our land, and are prepared to enter into brotherly conference with all, or any, Christian bodies for the removal of those evils, we deem the restoration of the organic unity of the Church, at the present period, neither desirable nor practical.

Resolved, 4, That heartily accepting the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the revealed Word of God, we cannot consent to the view that the Nicene Creed is a "sufficient statement of the Christian Faith," failing, as it does, to guard against grievous errors which have crept into the Church, and being silent, among other things, on the Sacraments, the proper administration of which is in this very Declaration accounted an "inherent part of the substantial deposit of Christian Faith and Order."

Resolved, 5, That although persuaded that no form of Church polity is prescribed by the New Testament, or essential to the Church's success, yet if the acceptance of the "Historic Episcopate" as it obtained in the Apostolic Church, and as it was understood by the great body of the Reformers, both Anglican and German, will promote "Godly union and concord among all who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity," this Synod certainly offers no objection to it.

Resolved, 6, That a Committee consisting of three Clergymen and three Laymen be appointed to communicate this response to the Committee appointed by the Protestant Episcopal Convention, and to hold further conference with the same, touching the vital question of mutual recognition, harmony, and co-operation; and furthermore, inasmuch as

all true Christian Unity must arise out of a common Faith, they are instructed to offer as a sufficient basis for this end, the Augsburg Confession, the historic basis of Protestantism, and, by general consent, the most Catholic expression of the common Faith.

(Signed)

E. J. WOLF.
A. J. IMHOFF.
J. G. GOETTMAN.
F. VAN ALSTINE.
L. M. KUHNS.

Committee under the above resolution: Revs. M. Valentine, D.D., S. Sprecher, D.D., H. Ziegler, D.D., Messrs. A. Gebhart, H. S. Boner, W. H. Ruppey.

LETTER FROM OUR COMMISSION.

To the Committee of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN, — We are much pleased to know that you have been appointed a committee to hold conference with us on the important subject of Christian Unity.

Before we enter, however, into any profitable conference, it is important that we understand each other.

One of the resolutions adopted by the General Synod and forwarded to us states that the "restoration of the organic unity of the Church, at the present period, is neither desirable nor practicable."

We would ask of you, brethren, how are we to understand these words — if the plain meaning they bear is that intended, there is little use of conference. We are intensely in earnest in this business, and we mean practical work. The time is too short before "that day" to give it to mere forensic debate. We cannot believe you propose, as would seem, an objectless conference.

But is not the organic unity of the Church desirable at all times? For at the Master prayed; and is not a labour for that which pleases Him always desirable?

Is not the organic unity of the Church practicable? If it were to be accomplished by human wisdom and human instrumentality alone, it would indeed seem at the present period impracticable and a dream. We hesitate to say that the Master would pray for the impracticable. We affirm that with God all things are possible. We are bold to assert that for which God prays is not alone probable, but certain, of fulfilment. But perhaps not at the present period, — that is with Him, — yet be it ours to not neglect our duties, nor to postpone the accomplishment of the Divine purposes by any lack of faith in our works undertaken for Him and in His name.

Brethren, may we not be assured that we have mistaken you?

There are many indications in your response that a negotiation between us would not be attended by serious complications, and we pray that your Committee may be further empowered, to the end that we may unite in labour to fulfil the Master's good pleasure, and to accomplish by His power and might that object the accomplishment of which He emphasized by prayer.

Very truly and fraternally,

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, *Secretary.*

ALEXANDRIA, March 27, 1888.

No official response to this communication has been received, but it is deemed proper to here insert a letter from the Chairman of the Committee of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

LETTER FROM THE REV. DR. VALENTINE.

GETTYSBURG, PA., April 24, 1888.

Rev. Herman C. Duncan, D.D.:

DEAR BROTHER, — Your letter of March 27 on behalf of the Commission of the House of Bishops would have been answered before now, but for the constant pressure of hindering duties. No meeting of our Committee has yet been held, and I do not deem it necessary to call the members of it together to frame the needed answer to the very proper inquiry which the Commission makes through your communication. I feel entirely warranted in saying, for our Committee, that the Declaration of the General Synod, to which you call attention, expressing the opinion that “the restoration of the organic unity of the Church, at the present period, is neither desirable nor practicable,” has not been intended to mean anything adverse to efforts after a better unity, or “conference” with a view to such end. This is evident from the general tenor of the resolutions, as well as the appointment of a Committee “to hold further conference touching the vital question of mutual recognition, harmony, and co-operation.” The statement that “organic unity at the present period” is undesirable and impracticable, is, I take it, to be understood as taking into consideration the numerous, great, and conflicting divergencies in doctrine and ecclesiastical position of the different Communion calling themselves Christians — divergencies at the present too great and vital for “organic” union. Moreover, though the concluding part of the overture of the House of Bishops distinctly looks towards “organic unity,” another part disclaims seeking the “absorption” of other Communion, and holds out the idea of co-operation with them on the basis of a common Faith. And surely there may be something gained in the way of approach to the object of the Saviour’s prayer through some possible plan of mutual recognition, pulpit and altar fellowship, and co-operation, attainable by federation, or other practical relation.

In this spirit and with the desire to abate, as far as possible, the unhappy divisions of the Church, the Committee of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church is authorized to enter into conference with your reverend Commission, and will be glad of any success which the Divine favour may give to this, our common desire.

Most fraternally yours,

M. VALENTINE,

Chairman of the Committee of the General Synod.

RESPONSE FROM THE UNITED SYNOD OF THE SOUTH.

WAYNESBORO, VA., Feb. 25, 1888.

Rev. Herman C. Duncan, Alexandria, La.:

DEAR SIR, — To-day I mail you marked copy of the “Minutes of the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the South,” which contains a record of the actions of said body relative to the overture made by the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

This printed copy is a faithful and correct record of the action of our body, and as such is now officially transmitted to you.

Respectfully,

A. L. CROUSE,

Secretary United Synod of the South.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON "DECLARATION OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH."

The Committee to whom was referred the "Declaration of the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, adopted October 20, 1886," have carefully considered the same, and beg leave to submit the following report:

That it is with pleasure we have received this Declaration, and the letter of the Secretary of the Convention [Commission] accompanying it, and beg to put on record the assurance that our people are also praying "with renewed and increasing earnestness that some measure may be adopted" most speedily "for the reunion of the sundered parts of Christendom." And that with our well known and well defined principles of opposition to anything like schism, and with a fervent desire, that all who profess the name of Christ might in accordance with His prayer "be one," this paper containing such expressions, and coming from so large and influential a body of Christians, is a most cheering sign that in the not very far distant future we may all see eye to eye, having one Faith, one Lord, one Baptism.

"They affirm that Christian Unity can be restored only by the return of all Christians to the principles of unity exemplified by the undivided Catholic Church during the first ages of her existence, holding these principles to be the substantial deposit of Christian Faith and Order committed by Christ and His Apostles to the Church, and, therefore, incapable of being compromised or surrendered." But while agreeing, in the very same spirit contained in said Declaration, we beg to say that we cannot agree with the House of Bishops when they "proceed to particularize as inherent parts of the sacred deposit," and say in their second proposition, "we believe the Nicene Creed to be a sufficient statement of the Christian Faith," and upon this point it is sufficient for us to say, that in this Creed nothing is said of the total depravity of man and the impossibility of salvation except through faith in Christ. The third and fourth specifications are too uncertain and capable of too many constructions to be approved by us.

By this answer we trust the House of Bishops will not conclude that we desire to treat with too little consideration their overtures, or to break off further communication, or negotiation, upon a matter so desirable to be consummated. Our purpose is simply to be frank, which we believe will be appreciated.

And now, while our purpose is not to suggest to the House of Bishops, we trust they will pardon us for calling their attention to the fact, that in the earlier years of the English Reformation negotiations were in progress between Archbishop Cranmer and Bishop Fox and other English Divines and the Father of the German Reformation at Wittenberg, on the basis of the Augsburg Confession and the Apology. These were interrupted by Henry VIII.: and, we ask, would it not be more salutary and the proposed end reached, if these negotiations could be resumed at the point of interruption, by the Lutheran and Protestant Episcopal Churches, and the other bodies who have come out of the English Church since that time?

We recommend that said overture be spread at length upon the minutes of this meeting, and that a copy of this paper as the action of this body thereupon be transmitted, according to the request of the Secretary of said House of Bishops [Commission], to him by the Secretary of this body.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. MEETZ.
L. G. M. MILLER.
J. H. WILSON.

REPLY OF OUR COMMISSION.

To the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South :

DEAR BRETHREN, — The action of your body in response to the Declaration of our House of Bishops has been received with great pleasure by our Commission.

Permit us to call your attention to certain facts. The governing body of our Church is its General Convention, which consists of two Houses, the House of Bishops and the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. The House of Bishops alone and for themselves set forth the Declaration on Christian Unity. The action of our last General Convention on this subject was to appoint a Commission, and this Commission was instructed to communicate at their discretion to the organized Christian bodies of our Country the Declaration set forth by the Bishops. Further, this Commission was then instructed to hold themselves ready to enter into brotherly conference with any Christian body seeking the restoration of the organic unity of the Church.

The first of these duties we have performed, and we have your response. We think that we appreciate your frankness. We perceive nothing in what you say to constitute an insurmountable obstacle to the result so greatly to be desired, the perfected unity of all Christian men.

It now becomes our pleasant duty to enter into conference with you with a view to discover the conditions under which the object may be attained.

We note with great satisfaction that you remind us that in 1535 and 1538 there were conferences held tending to this same object, and that you invite us to the resumption of negotiations at the point of interruption.

There was a good deal of worldly politics mingled in those negotiations. We presume matters of this kind would, at the present day, be eliminated from the discussion. With this understanding we gladly accept your suggestion, and declare ourselves ready to resume the negotiations so long interrupted.

Will you kindly designate the proper Commissioners who will represent you in the negotiations? As soon as this is done we shall be ready to proceed with the business.

It will, of course, be clearly understood that the Commissioners on our part, and we presume on yours also, are but representatives, and that whatever conclusion may be reached is not binding until ratified by both of the authorities appointing us.

Very truly and fraternally,

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, *Secretary.*

ALEXANDRIA, LA., April 19, 1888.

RESPONSE OF THE GENERAL CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

[Extract from the Minutes of October 21, 1887.]

The Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Protestant Episcopal Church submitted the following report :

Your Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Secretary of the Commission on Christian Unity, appointed by the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, October 27, 1886, beg leave to submit the following reply to said communication :

Rev. Herman C. Duncan, Secretary of the Commission on Christian Unity of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church :

DEAR SIR, — Your communication, addressed to the General Christian Missionary Convention, through R. Moffett, its Corresponding Secretary, was by him laid before our Convention at its annual meeting, in Indianapolis, October 20, 1887. After due consideration the following response was unanimously agreed to, which you will please present to your honourable Commission, with assurance of our cordial approval of their noble aim.

Having carefully, and with deep interest, considered the "Declaration of the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, adopted October 20, 1886," we respectfully and affectionately submit the result of our deliberations. In doing this it is proper to say that the General Christian Missionary Convention is possessed of no ecclesiastical authority. It is made up partly of delegates from our State and Territorial Missionary Conventions and partly of annual members, life members, and life directors, and its objects are purely benevolent and philanthropic. It has no control over the Faith and discipline of our Churches. While there is a broad Christian fellowship of faith and love among all these Churches, and organized co-operation alike of individuals and of Churches in districts, States, and nation, for missionary, educational, and other benevolent and charitable purposes, there is no central ecclesiastical organization having control of questions of doctrine and discipline, and no possibility, therefore, of an authoritative response to your Declaration. But as this Convention is composed of delegates from all the States and Territories in which we have Churches, and of members of those Churches, embracing a fair share of the intelligence, experience, and wisdom of their membership, this unanimous expression of sentiment on the part of this Convention may be safely regarded as the most trustworthy utterance obtainable of the convictions of the entire brotherhood in the United States known as Christians, or Disciples of Christ. We have the fullest confidence that it will be generally approved.

Allow us therefore to say :

I. You may infer with what lively interest and admiration we regard the Declaration of your House of Bishops, when we state that in so far as our religious movement is distinctive, its original differentiation from all other religious movements of the time was the condemnation of the sect spirit and of sectarian organizations as unscriptural, sinful, and fruitful in mischief, and the advocacy of a return to the unity, catholicity and simplicity and spirituality of the Faith and practice of the Churches of the Apostolic times, a return, in other words, to New Testament teaching. This movement, which took on, in 1809, the public form of a voluntary Christian Association, finally developed into the organization of Churches seeking to restore, as it was then expressed, "in letter and in spirit, in principle and in practice," the Faith and discipline of Apostolic times. They were known simply as "Churches of Christ." These organizations were formed, not because those entering into them desired a separation from the ecclesiastical Communion with which they had been associated, but because the narrow and bitter sectarian spirit then prevailing forbade all utterance of such anti-sectarian sentiments and all promotion of such anti-sectarian aims. Within their respective pales, these Churches have increased until they now number in the United States about 800,000 communicants, and to-day there sounds out from them all, with no diminution of earnestness or emphasis, the same condemnation of sectarian parties, sectarian creeds, sectarian names, sectarian aims, and the same entreaty for the return of all believers to the unity of Faith and catholicity of spirit, taught, fostered, and defended by the Apostles of Jesus Christ. We cannot,

therefore, do otherwise than hail with gladness the declaration of your "desire and readiness, so soon as there shall be any authorized response to this Declaration, to enter into brotherly conference with all or any Christian bodies seeking the restoration of the organic unity of the Church, with a view to the earnest study of the conditions under which so priceless a blessing might be brought to pass." We are especially glad that this overture comes from the Protestant Episcopal Church. Eminently conservative as that Church is known to be, its leadership in such a movement is evidence that the religious sentiment of this country, in behalf of Christian Unity, is deep and strong, while the cautious proceedings of thirty-three years, ripening into this Declaration and the appointment of this Commission, give us unmistakably the results of mature deliberation and ripe conviction. While we do not accord with everything suggested in the Declaration as to what is "essential to the restoration of unity among the divided branches of Christendom," we do most heartily approve the proposal for "brotherly conference . . . with a view to the earnest study of the conditions under which the desired unity may be brought to pass."

II. The frankness and candour with which you express your understanding of "the principles of unity" is, in our view, as admirable as the kind spirit in which you invite us to brotherly conference. While it would be manifestly premature to enter, at present, on a discussion of any of these principles, we deem it altogether proper to imitate your frankness in simply stating, in the light of the investigations and experience of three quarters of a century, what we deem essential to Christian Unity.

1. We heartily concur in your statement of the first essential to the restoration of unity — the recognition of "the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the revealed Word of God." In the language of the Westminster Confession of Faith, "The whole counsel of God, concerning all things necessary for His own glory, man's salvation, faith, and life, is either expressly set down in Scripture or by good and necessary consequence may be deduced from Scripture — unto which nothing is at any time to be added, whether by new revelation of the Spirit, or traditions of men," and, "though all things in Scripture are not alike plain in themselves, nor alike clear unto all, yet those things that are necessary to be known, believed, and observed, for salvation, are so clearly propounded and open in some place of Scripture or other, that not only the learned, but the unlearned, in a due use of the ordinary means, may attain unto sufficient understanding of them."

The Holy Scriptures are the catholic rule of Faith and discipline. On no other platform can the scattered hosts of spiritual Israel be restored to unity. The "Historic Episcopate" or "the principles of unity unexamplified by the undivided Catholic Church during the first ages of its existence" will not be accepted by the various "divided branches of Christendom" as "essential" to Christian Unity, or as binding on the conscience; nothing less authoritative than a *thus saith the Lord* will be universally recognized as essential to Christian Unity, or as binding to the conscience. The history of the early Christian centuries may have a universally admitted value as illustrating or confirming Scripture, but as essential to union in Christ no historical teaching outside of the inspired books will ever be universally, or even generally, accepted by the divided branches of Christendom. For instance — if parochial or diocesan Episcopacy, or an order of priesthood in the Church other than that "royal priesthood" which belongs to all believers, is set forth in the New Testament Scriptures as of Divine authority, then collateral evidence of such forms of Episcopal government and such order of priesthood may be brought from the history of the undivided Catholic Church during the first ages

of its existence, and such testimony of a "Historic Episcopate" would doubtless be allowed to have its just weight. But a basis of union involving anything as essential other than what is contained in the revealed Word of God, we regard as utterly impracticable.

What we have said of the testimony of the early Christian centuries, may also be said of what is styled the Apostles' Creed, the Nicene Creed, and all human creeds. Nothing less authoritative than God's Word should be regarded as beyond the reach of "compromise or surrender." "Hold fast the form of sound words which thou hast heard of me," said the inspired Paul to Timothy. No form of uninspired words, however admirable in estimation of multitudes, can be insisted on as beyond "compromise or surrender," without placing an insuperable obstacle in the way of "the restoration of unity among the divided branches of Christendom." If any "statement of the Christian Faith" should at any time be deemed necessary, not as a bond of fellowship, but for public information, or to condemn prevalent errors, we respectfully submit that Christians of to-day can put forth such a statement in a form much better suited to the people of this generation than the Nicene formula, which had birth out of the controversies of that time, and came into being under conditions which not only do not now exist, but which are not so much as known to the great majority of Christians at the present time.

2. The restoration of unity demands a return to New Testament teaching. We may not presume to improve on the ideas of unity and catholicity taught by inspiration. We ought to improve on the *practice* of Apostolic Churches, being made wiser by their errors and by the Apostolic rebukes those errors called forth. But in our conceptions of spiritual unity and ecclesiastical union, of catholicity, and of all that is to be insisted on as essential to Christian fellowship, and "incapable of compromise or surrender," we must be guided solely by the teaching of Jesus Christ and His Apostles.

Coming then to the New Testament, to the "pure river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb," before it was contaminated by the muddy stream of human doctrine and tradition, what do we find?

1. That the original inspired Creed—that, and that alone which was required to be believed and confessed by all who sought membership in the Church of God—had but one article; viz., "Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God." That which justified and saved, and held all the saved in one blessed fellowship, was not assent to a system of doctrines, a formulation of speculative opinions and theories, or a form of Church government, but faith in Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, faith in a Divine person, love of a Divine person, absolute and entire personal surrender and committal, in conscience, heart, and life, to a Divine person—this was the requirement, the only requirement, laid on those who sought salvation and entrance into the fellowship of Christians. This is a Divine Creed, which can be neither compromised nor surrendered. Everything that is not legitimately involved in this one article of faith concerning the Christhood and Divinity of Jesus, as a test of fitness, on the score of faith, for admission to membership in the Church, not only may be, but ought to be, surrendered.

2. That all who confessed this faith in the Lord Jesus were admitted to Christian fellowship by immersion in water into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and only such were admitted. We would say, therefore, that those who thus accepted Jesus as their Lord and Saviour and were thus immersed, were, in the Apostolic Age, members of the Church of God, or to use the language of the Declaration, "members of the Holy Catholic Church." The Churches of Apostolic times acknowledged "one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism," and these were among the essentials of Christian Unity.

3. That those who were thus added to the Church were continued in fellowship so long as they walked in the commandments of Jesus, obedience to the Lord Jesus — in other words, Christian character — was the test of fellowship in the Church. If any one denied the Lord that bought him, or refused to honour Him by obedience to His commandments, he was to be condemned as unworthy of Christian fellowship. But so long as one cherished faith in the Son of God and kept His commandments he was entitled to a place among the children of God. If he was right concerning Christ, though he might be wrong about many things, it was presumed that Christ would bring him right about everything essential to spiritual life and enjoyment. And if he was not right as to his faith in and obedience to Christ, however free from error in other respects, his unbelief and disobedience formed an insurmountable barrier to the fellowship of Christians.

It will be seen that this is Catholic ground. "The Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the revealed Word of God," is Catholic. This cannot be said of any creed of human compilation.

Faith in Jesus as the Christ, the Son of God, is Catholic. It is the Faith of all who accept the Old and New Testaments as the revealed Word of God.

The immersion of believers into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is Catholic. No one disputes that the believer is a proper subject of baptism, while there is a serious and wide-spread controversy over the admission of infants to that ordinance. All will admit that the immersion of a proper subject is valid baptism, while there is endless controversy over sprinkling and pouring.

Disciples of Christ, Christians, Church of God, Churches of Christ — these are Catholic. All the evangelical parties claim these designations, and complain of any exclusive appropriation of them, while Episcopal, Presbyterian, Baptist, Methodist, etc., are party names which can never be universally approved.

Here, then, we stand on unsectarian ground, where, it seems to us, if anywhere, we find the essential principles of Christian Unity, which cannot be compromised or surrendered.

III. Outside of that which is essential to Christian Unity, there are many things pertaining to growth in knowledge, to methods of working, etc., in reference to which, for the sake of peace and the preservation of unity, there should be a common agreement.

There should, we think, be the largest liberty of opinion, of investigation, and of utterance, on all questions arising out of the study of the Scriptures, and no one who holds to Jesus "as God manifest in the flesh," and who keeps His commandments, should be disturbed in his Church relations on account of his opinions, provided he does not attempt to force his opinions on others or to make the acceptance of them a test of fellowship. Should he attempt this, he becomes a factionist, to be rejected after the first and second admonition.

Many questions, unprofitable for discussion in the pulpit, may profitably, or at least harmlessly, be discussed in the schools, to which speculative questions should be remanded.

Then there are practical questions, questions of method in carrying out the work of the Church, which, being left to the discretion of Christians, to be answered according to times and circumstances, should never be made tests of fellowship, or occasions of strife. In all questions of this class — as to what is expedient, and not to what is of Divine authority and obligation — Christians should learn to please each other, and study the things that make for peace and edification. We are pleased, therefore, to read in the Declaration of Principles that no human ordering, or human choice, relating to the Church, shall be made a test of fellowship.

cipline, or to traditional customs, this Church is ready, in the spirit of love and humility, to forego all preferences of her own." To refuse to forego preferences in all things of human ordering or human choice, or on things resting on mere traditional authority, and to allow such preferences to stand in the way of Christian union, would be to assume the tremendous responsibility of exalting the human to an equality with the Divine. May we not say that it would be to make the word of God of none effect by human traditions and usages? If "the spirit of love and humility prevail," this Declaration of the Protestant Episcopal Church will receive unstinted approval from all who aim to "keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." Yet it is just here that we fear. It is so easy to mistake attachment to mere usages for a conscientious adherence to God's will, that there is more danger of disagreement in things not taught in the Scriptures than in the things that are taught therein.

IV. There remains one item in the Declaration too important to be passed without notice, "that this Church does not seek to absorb other Communion, but rather, co-operating with them on a basis of common Faith and order, to discountenance schism, to heal the wounds of the Body of Christ, and to promote the charity which is the chief of the Christian graces and the visible manifestation of Christ in the world." As we understand it, this is a gratifying declaration. We do not regard it as looking towards a theological and ecclesiastical eclecticism, or syncretism, by which the various Denominational Systems of Doctrine and of Church government shall be perpetuated in whole, or in part, under some nebulous scheme or vague profession of Christian Unity, but simply as a frank disavowal of selfish aims. This is manly and just. It exhibits the only spirit in which it is possible to "discountenance schism and heal the wounds of the Body of Christ." Not what will promote the interests of any denomination, but what will serve the purposes and promote the welfare of the "one body" of Christ is to be sought. All other Communion should adopt this sentiment as their own, as a necessary preliminary to all successful efforts to heal divisions, and to make manifest that unity which is so prominent a characteristic of the Church of God.

In conclusion, permit us to say that we very cordially approve the gentle and loving spirit that breathes in your Declaration, and heartily coincide with your proposal to "enter into brotherly conference with all or any Christian bodies seeking the restoration of the organic unity of the Church with a view to the earnest study of the conditions under which so priceless a blessing might happily be brought to pass."

We respectfully submit this answer to your Declaration with humble reliance on the Head of the Church that we may be delivered from pride and prejudice and be led into all truth, so that all may speak the same thing and that there may be no divisions among us, but that we may be perfected together in the same mind and in the same judgment, thus realizing and fulfilling the prayer of our Blessed Lord and Saviour in behalf of all who believe in Him, "that they all may be one, as thou, Father, art in Me and I in Thee, that they may be one in Us, that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me."

ISAAC ERRETT,
J. W. MOGARVEY,
D. R. DUNGAN,
J. H. GARRISON,
B. J. RADFORD,
C. L. LOOS,
A. R. BENTON,

Committee.

After brief remarks by the President the report was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

REPLY OF OUR COMMISSION.

To the Committee of the General Christian Missionary Convention :

DEAR BRETHREN, — The response adopted by your Convention to the Declaration of our House of Bishops has been duly received.

We note your earnest condemnation of the sectarian spirit and the zeal of your prayers, which re-echo the prayer of the Master, that all of His disciples may be one even as He and the Father are one.

Your words inspire much hope that our labours for unity will be abundantly blessed of God. A serious difficulty you yourselves suggest in negotiations between us and the body, or rather the bodies, for whom you undertake to speak, you lack authority to speak or to negotiate.

We believe it our bounden duty to labour in behalf of the unity of the Master's Kingdom. We recognize in you men anxious to labour for that for which the Master prayed.

Is there a way by which we can be brought together?

In any respects in which we may have departed from "New Testament Christianity," although we are not aware that in any essential respect we have so departed, we would gladly return.

We understand that you would make these expressions your own.

Why then are we not one? How are we to be united? Is there not a way by which you, or others, could be invested with the necessary authority of Commissioners?

It is not for us to propose an answer. Yet may we not be pardoned for believing that the necessities of obedience to God's declared pleasure in the matter of the unity of His children will find a solution?

We have noted other matters in your response, but a discussion of them would be without profit until we can enter into a conference.

Very truly and fraternally,

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, *Secretary.*

ALEXANDRIA, LA., April 4, 1888.

LETTER FROM THE REV. ROBERT MOFFETT, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF THE GENERAL CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, April 27, 1888.

Rev. Herman C. Duncan, Sec'y, etc., Alexandria, La. :

DEAR BROTHER, — Replying to your communication of April 4, on behalf of the Commission, I will say that the Committee to which it is addressed no longer exists, having been discharged after submitting their report. I have conferred with Dr. Errett, who was Chairman, and he agrees with me in this answer. It is not possible for our General Convention to appoint a Committee of Conference, whose actions would be accepted as binding by our entire brotherhood. But if you desire a Committee of Conference from our General Convention, with the understanding of their limited powers, as expressed by the communication to you, I will take pleasure in laying the matter before the next Convention for their action. This you must take for granted, that our entire brotherhood are in fullest sympathy with every effort looking to the unity for which the Master prayed. We would be false to our history, and to the principles we regard as cardinal, if we did not advocate and work for the union of all God's children as that union existed in the days of the Apostles.

Very truly,

R. MOFFETT.

Cor. Sec'y, G. C. M. C.

LETTER FROM THE REV. DR. BOARDMAN OF THE BAPTIST COMMUNION.

PHILADELPHIA, October 8, 1888.

To the Rev. Dr. Herman C. Duncan, Secretary of the Commission on Christian Unity:

REVEREND AND DEAR BROTHER, — Your favour of May 8, enclosing a Declaration of the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church touching Christian Unity, and also an invitation to the Baptist Churches of the United States to appoint Commissioners to enter into brotherly conference with the Commission appointed by your General Convention on the subject of ecclesiastical union, came to hand duly. Your note reached me just as I was on the point of embarking for Europe, and, therefore, I had only time to acknowledge the receipt of your favour. Having returned, I seize the earliest opportunity to make a more formal reply.

According to our Baptist polity, our Churches have no supreme organization, or common jurisdiction, each Church being, in the matter of legislation, absolutely independent. It is impossible for me, therefore, to secure from our denomination an official answer to your overture.

I regret this exceedingly, because it seems to expose us to the charge of discourtesy, a charge which, under the circumstances, is of course quite groundless. Indeed it is but just to say that in interviews which I have held with many of our representative thinkers, the brethren have unanimously expressed their warm desire to enter the proposed conference, and their deep regret that our polity forbids our appointment of the suggested Commission.

It must be confessed, however, that there are grave difficulties in the attempt to secure "the organic unity of the Church." Pardon me for saying that I prefer the term "organized" to the term "organic," for the Church as a spiritual body is already a Divine organism, and, therefore, already an organic unity, but the Church as a visible body is a medley of human organization, and our problem is to systematize, or frame these into an organized unity. Of course there must be no pliant compromise of truth or surrender of personal conviction. But there may be, and there should be, an ascent to such loftiness of moral vision as shall comprehend denominational diversities, and recognize in them a real unity. That the day is coming when the Church will be an organized unity, as she is an organic, I firmly believe. It is a matter for devout thanksgiving that there is in these latter days so deep a longing on the part of many of Christ's people for the speedy realization of this promised, blessed issue.

Yet I fear that the problem of ecclesiastical unity is perhaps the last of earth's problems to be solved. But as when the time became ripe for the discovery of a new world, God raised up a discoverer, so I doubt not that when the time shall become ripe for the organization of the Churches into a visible unity, God will raise up an organizer, who shall do for ecclesiology what Columbus did for geography.

Meanwhile it is the blessed duty of every Church and every Christian to leave no proper expedient untried which may help hasten the desired consummation. It is but just to say that the Protestant Episcopal Church, in taking the initiative in this momentous matter, has given to the cause of Christian Unity an immense onward impetus.

Fervently praying our common Father, "from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed," that He may still farther open the way for the eirenicon which your House of Bishops has offered, I am, my dear brother,

Yours in the one faith and hope and love,

GEORGE DANA BOARDMAN.

RESPONSE OF THE UNITAS FRATRUM, MORAVIANS.

BETHLEHEM, PA., March, 1889.

The Reverend Herman Duncan, Secretary of the Commission of the Protestant Episcopal Church on Christian Unity:

REVEREND AND DEAR BROTHER, — In accordance with the resolution of our Provincial Synod, held at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, in September, 1888, I take pleasure in communicating to you the preamble and resolutions which were adopted in acknowledgment of the receipt of your printed circular, communicating to our Synod the action of your Church in the matter of Church Unity.

WHEREAS, our brethren of the Protestant Episcopal Church have invited us and all sister Protestant Churches in America to unite with them in a conference to be held with a view to promote godly union and concord among all who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity and truth; and

WHEREAS, the Fathers and Founders of the Unitas Fratrum, in the century before the Protestant Reformation of the sixteenth century, did, in the interests of what they accepted as the faith of Christ and His Apostles, secure for themselves the Historic Episcopate; and

WHEREAS, from the beginning our Moravian Church has, in all the centuries of its existence and activity in all portions of the Christian and heathen world, maintained a position of most cordial recognition of and fellowship with the brethren of the various Churches of Christ in these parts, of varied name and constitution,

Resolved, That we hail with joy any effort put forth, in good faith, to secure closer fellowship and communion between the Churches of Christ in our country.

Resolved, That to this end a Commission, consisting of the five Bishops of the Northern District of the American Province and of three Ministerial and two Lay Brethren in the District, be appointed to confer with similar Commissions of Conference at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

Resolved, That we invoke upon the Churches of our land, the blessing of Him who hath said, "One is your Master, even Christ, and all ye are brethren."

Resolved, That this preamble and these resolutions, with the names of the Committee of Conference, be communicated to the Secretary of the Commission of the Protestant Episcopal Church by the Secretary of the Synod.

It gives me further pleasure to announce the recent appointment of the Rt. Rev. Amadeus A. Reinke, New York City; the Rt. Rev. Henry T. Vanvleck, Ohio; the Rt. Rev. Henry T. Bachman, Pennsylvania; the Rt. Rev. Clement L. Reinke, Wisconsin; the Rt. Rev. J. M. Levering, Pennsylvania; the Rev. William H. Rice, New York City; the Rev. Edward Rondthaller, North Carolina; the Rev. Edwin G. Klose, Pennsylvania; General William E. Doster, Pennsylvania; Prof. E. L. Schaeffer, Pennsylvania, as the members of the Commission whose appointment was ordered by Synod.

The Commission has met and organized and will, doubtless, in due time, inform you officially of its action.

With fraternal salutations, yours in Christ,

A. A. REINKE,
President of Synod.
C. A. HAEHNLE,
Secretary of Synod.

No communication has been received from this Commission. The Secretary of our Communion was unofficially informed that the Chairman desired an interview with him before any further communication of an official character should pass. Arrangements were made to that end, and before the day named for the interview the death was announced of Bishop Reinke. The information of his death was communicated to our Secretary, and the informant was requested, the address of the succeeding Chairman being unknown to us, to kindly notify him of the situation. Our Commission does not know if this was done.

ACTION OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

No official communication of the action of the Methodist Episcopal Church has been received. The Secretary of their Committee on the State of the Church has, however, apprised our Secretary of the adoption of the annexed report on the 21st May, 1888:

The Declaration of the House of Bishops and the concurrent resolution adopted by the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, sent to us by the hands of the Rev. H. C. Duncan, Secretary of the Commission appointed by the Convention of that Church, have been carefully considered.

We gratefully accept these communications as furnishing evidence of the increasing spirit of Christian fraternity which characterizes this age. The Methodist Episcopal Church has always extended a cordial hand to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity, and is ready to co-operate in any movement which contemplates brotherhood among all branches of the real Church of Christ. The organic unity of the Church may not be practicable at this time, and there are many thoughtful Christians who doubt whether it would be advisable if it were possible. But that all branches of the Church should dwell together in love, no sincere Christian doubts.

Imbued with this exalted Christian sentiment, the Methodist Episcopal Church will not erect her theory of Church government into a barrier against Christian fraternity and Church unification. God has honoured all branches of His Church, and has taught the world that the spirit of the Gospel is of more consequence than any theory of Church government; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we are ready to fraternize and co-operate with the Protestant Episcopal Church, as we are with all other Churches of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to extend to it and accept from it all Christian courtesies which are common and proper among servants of our common Lord.

2. That we recommend the appointment of a Commission of three persons, — namely, one Bishop, one member of an Annual Conference, and one layman, who shall hold themselves ready to enter into brotherly conference with all or any Christian bodies, “seeking the restoration of the organic unity of the Church,” or of the increase of Christian and Church fraternity, and that this Commission be requested to make a report to the next General Conference.

J. G. PECK, *Chairman*.

A. E. P. ALBERT, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX XII.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

THE Committees on Christian Education, sitting together as a Joint Committee by permission of both Houses, beg leave to present the following report of the result of their deliberations upon the present condition and needs of the work of Christian education in the Church.

Your Committee gladly recognizes the fact, that there is a steadily growing sentiment among all Christian people, in favour of an education that shall be based upon the Christian Faith, and have for its ideal the development of Christian character. At a time when the undue assertion of the liberty of individual opinion has led to wide perplexity and unrest, and to multiplied experiments in religion; when the minds of many are disturbed and the hearts of the timid ones are failing them for fear, it is pre-eminently right and necessary that this Church should boldly and clearly assert the principles of her historic Faith, and provide for the most careful instruction and training of her children. The Christian Faith is a sacred and precious heritage committed to our trust. Even more upon us than upon that old Israel the responsibility rests to proclaim and defend, "that which we have heard and known, and such as our fathers have told us. That we should not hide these things from the children of the generations to come; but to show the honour of the Lord, His mighty and wonderful works that He hath done. For he made a covenant with Jacob and gave Israel a law, which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children; that their posterity might know it and the children which were yet unborn, to the intent that, when they came up they might show their children the same; that they might put their trust in God, and not to forget the works of God, but to keep His commandments." Psalm lxxviii.

The Christian Church is not a mere voluntary society. The Christian Gospel is not preferable to all other Gospels, but it is the only Gospel that can help and save the world. Therefore, no education of the young that leaves out the Name and Faith of Christ can be the education required for Christian people. That which is not definitely Christian is not Christian at all. It was the Lord Himself who said "He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad." (Matt. xii. 30.) This is the grave, solemn decision which to-day, perhaps more than ever before, challenges the heart and conscience of every father and mother who believes.

I. The Joint Committee would first of all urge the necessity of more earnest, more systematic, more enthusiastic work in the Sunday school. The Prayer Book — the great devotional manual of the Church of the English-speaking people — distinctly emphasizes the instruction of children in the Faith, as a part of the public, official work of the Church, and recognizes the children as members of the one body, by providing a catechism which is a model of doctrinal accuracy and lucid exposition.

While gladly conceding the value and usefulness of many of the books of instruction now in use, it is the opinion of the Committee that there is need of a simpler and more interesting manual based upon the cate-

chism. The best method of training the teachers in the Sunday school has not yet been generally agreed upon, yet the progress that has been made is most encouraging. We have to-day about fifty thousand teachers and five hundred thousand Sunday-school pupils, whose Lenten offering last year to the Board of Missions amounted to over \$67,000. There is no department of Church work that deserves more serious attention, and none that will bring a richer harvest of spiritual power than this, if it be wisely handled.

II. Next to the Sunday schools are the parish and grammar schools of the Church. The more expensive schools of this class your Committee gladly believes to be, in number and efficiency, adequate to our present needs; and by their hold upon the patronage of people of every religious denomination, have vindicated and established their claim to the cordial recognition of this Convention. One point only would your Committee urge in this connection, and that is the more persistent effort to reach the less wealthy of our population, by establishing and endowing schools for both sexes, in which a good education can be acquired at a more moderate cost than can be afforded by more pretentious institutions.

III. There are at least six Church colleges in the United States, and one Church university, all of which are doing great and noble work for the cause of education founded upon the Faith of Christ, as this Church hath received the same. These institutions are not behind any in real scholarship, and their graduates are winning honours in professional and technical schools all over the land. The necessity for the existence of Church colleges cannot, from a Christian point of view, be fairly questioned. The serious fact confronts us that the average age of students entering colleges and universities in this country is less than eighteen years, and in almost all of our secular institutions these boys are to receive their intellectual training from professors and teachers who openly oppose Christianity, or else from professors and teachers who are inhibited in the class-room from any downright and explicit expression of their faith. The colleges and universities of the Church need endowments and they ought to have them. Her educational work in the highest domain of scholarship has been the glory of the Church of our fathers in the upbuilding of the civilization of the Anglo-Saxon race, and this American Church should not be unworthy of her great inheritance. Surely there are believing men to-day, as there have been in the past, who will give of their abundance, to the endowment of professorships, of fellowships, and of scholarships in our institutions of learning. When it is considered that the sum of two thousand dollars will endow a tuition scholarship in any of our colleges, it seems incredible that our people will permit these institutions to be compelled by their poverty to charge such fees as are practically prohibitory to many of the worthiest children of the Church.

IV. In a vast country like ours, where each State is practically a separate Commonwealth, with its own endowed university, and where great institutions of learning have grown up in many quarters, commanding by considerations of local pride and family loyalty the patronage of many Churchmen, a new condition of things has been created, and wise men have had to devise methods for maintaining a hold upon the sons and daughters of the Church in places where the existence of Church colleges is impossible.

(a) Among these efforts, your Committee cordially and heartily endorses the plan adopted by the late Bishop Harris, in the establishment of Harris Hall at the University of Michigan. This experiment has been tried for ten years, and has proved in every way a complete success. The Bishops of Milwaukee and of West Virginia have undertaken to have similar foundations at the University of Wisconsin and the

University of West Virginia. Young men attending the universities may live in the Halls, as practically members of the family of the clergyman in charge. In both instances the religious interest of the students is quickened and sustained under the healthiest and finest influences. The Church life in the university is concentrated, and, at the University of Michigan, its influence is reinforced by the two courses of lectures upon the Baldwin and Slocum foundation, delivered annually to all the students by eminent clergymen of the Church. The erection and endowment of such halls as these in connection with every large secular university in the country would be a vast gain to our educational work.

(b) Another plan proposed in connection with smaller colleges not under Church control is to endow the parish churches in such places with annual incomes sufficient to support a clergyman of character and ability, fit to influence and guide the students committed to his care. Some of the very best work that has ever been done among young men in this country has been accomplished by rectors of parishes which happen to be in proximity to institutions of learning.

V. The Joint Committee has had before it the report of the University Board of Regents, appointed by the General Convention of 1889. The Committee is of the opinion that the appointment of this Board as a permanent part of the organization of the Church, was one of the wisest and most significant acts of the Convention in recent years. It was no less than the public and emphatic declaration to our people that this Church believes in the Christian education of Christian men and women, and is ready to accept the responsibility and go forward to make it a real power.

It does not come within the province of this Committee to suggest to the Board of Regents plans or methods for the conduct of their work. The members of that Board are men whose names are a sufficient guarantee for wise, large-minded, and judicious measures in the discharge of the very difficult and complex trust committed to their care. The Committee, however, does venture to urge upon the Church the necessity of making the Board of Regents more and more a reality, by giving to it that sympathy, counsel, and co-operation, without which no great enterprise of the kind can possibly succeed.

In conclusion, the Joint Committee reverently expresses its profound sense of the loss that has come to this Committee of the General Convention, and to the Church at large, by the death of those distinguished deputies, those great Christian educators, the Rev. Henry A. Coit, D.D., rector of St. Paul's School, Concord N.H., and Prof. Henry Coppée, of Lehigh University. Such lives as theirs are the joy and glory of the Church. They are at once the witness and the prophecy of that ever growing interest in Christian education, that in the near future shall actualize itself in splendid evidences of our faith in Christ — in institutions of godly as well as sound learning, that shall be for glory and for blessing to our children's children.

H. A. NEELY,

Chairman of Committee of House of Bishops.

J. I. BLISS,

Chairman of Committee of House of Deputies.

APPENDIX XIII.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS.

IN making this its second triennial report to the General Convention, the Church University Board of Regents begs leave to acknowledge the sympathetic spirit with which its modest attempts have been almost universally received. Attention is called to the letters from many Bishops and others presented herewith.

Even where dissent or criticism has been aroused or expressed, it has been only in connection with certain specific features of its work, which in no wise preclude co-operation and support in other regards.

Through the death of Prof. Henry Coppée, lately associated with Lehigh University both as sometime President and Professor, the Board has been deprived of the services of one of its most valued members.

Owing to his exceptional acquaintance with both the educational and the more strictly ecclesiastical interests of the Church, Professor Coppée was especially fitted to give wise counsel and efficient aid. The Board wishes to express its great regret for the loss which it has undergone; and its affectionate appreciation of the services rendered by Professor Coppée.

Reference to the Journals of the last General Convention will show that in accordance with a resolution of the preceding Convention the Board limited itself to perfecting its legal organization, and to reporting a detailed scheme of organization and operation.

This report was formally presented to the House of Bishops and to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies sitting as one body.

Immediately upon its acceptance a Sub-Committee was appointed by the General Board to carry out "that part of the report relating to finances and the scholarship and fellowship scheme with power."

This Sub-Committee proceeded to perfect the details of the scheme outlined in the general report. These in turn were submitted to formal examination by a committee composed of some of the best known educational experts in this country, who were entirely unconnected with the Board.

The Special Committee reported in part as follows: "The undersigned having been invited by you to examine your proposal to award annual scholarships . . . and to devise a plan for such award, respectfully report that they cordially endorse the plan and believe that it will have a potent effect in promoting high standards of scholarship," etc. Advice was also repeatedly sought from various sources as to the wisest way to begin the work of the Board. Many suggestions were made, but there was an almost unanimous agreement among practical educators that the establishment of scholarships and fellowships of sufficient value to arouse the scholarly ambitions of the ablest students in our Church Institutions would prove the most desirable method to advance the educational interests of the Church at first.

Upon further and repeated consultation it was finally determined to begin in our Theological Seminaries; since, *first*, results would be most quickly reached; and, *secondly*, the men who might secure the scholar-

ships would necessarily be most closely identified with the Church. Within one year the Sub-Committee was enabled to offer three scholarships, the most valuable in the United States, to members of the graduating classes of the Theological Seminaries of the Church, under certain conditions.

These scholarships continue for three years, subject to withdrawal upon three months' notice, and are of the value of seven hundred and fifty dollars per year.

A number of applications were received, chiefly from the General Theological Seminary, the Cambridge Divinity School, and that of Philadelphia.

Three scholarships are now held by graduates of the General Seminary; one in Ecclesiastical History, and two in Philosophy.

One was awarded to a graduate of the Cambridge Divinity School. It has been recently withdrawn, owing, chiefly, to uncertainty as to his future ordination.

Three more scholarships will be offered within the next few weeks.

It should be clearly understood that the funds for these scholarships were guaranteed in order to test by experiment the practical value of the scheme of which they form a part; and in the hope that such experiment would secure for them the full support of the Church. As will be seen by the report of the General Secretary of the Board, and from the letters of commendation recently published, the Board is encouraged in its hope.

It is intended, as soon as funds can be secured, to extend the privilege of similar scholarships to the Church colleges in affiliation with the Board; and it is contemplated, in time, to supplement these scholarships with fellowships, leading to the development of the most advanced learning.

In this connection it may be said, that, awaiting the securing of adequate funds, even for the first of these purposes, provision might be made through the agency of the Board for uniting the Church Colleges in a common plan for the furtherance of their scholarly interests.

Something more than a suggestion has come before this Board from excellent sources which leads it to give encouragement to a plan by means of which, and under the approval of such colleges, Board examinations might be held in each of them, leading to a possible mutual interchange of students, an advanced standard of instruction in special departments, and to a University degree, thus enabling such colleges to reap some of the advantages of large universities without losing those peculiar to themselves. It is hoped that within the coming year the Board will be enabled to secure for this proposal the careful consideration and cordial co-operation of the college authorities, and with their aid to perfect a plan for its operation.

All Church colleges do the same work up to a certain point. Some colleges, however, are better equipped for advanced work upon certain lines than others. For instance, one may make a specialty of science, another of *belles-lettres*, another of philosophy, and still another of economics, etc. It is proposed that students shall pass from one college to another, so as to get from each its best. These students bearing certificates shall be known as University Students. Let colleges agree to establish terms upon which students may elect at certain periods of their course to choose from other colleges that which seems advisable to complete their work. These University Students shall be known by such name, and so registered upon presenting certificates of examinations required by a Board of Officers composed of representatives from the Confederated Colleges, or some such Board approved by such colleges. Such students may present these before the Examining Board for the

degree of B. A., and passing, may obtain a diploma from the Church University Board of Regents, and be eligible for Regent Scholarships. They may elect to take their degree from any chosen college, or they may take the University Degree to be eligible for these higher University Regent Scholarships.

It was not until one year ago that the Board felt itself justified in appointing a General Secretary, who at the same time could act as its financial agent. Up to that time, with the exception of those connected with purely clerical work, no administrative expenses were incurred. In December, 1894, the Rev. Dr. F. L. Humphreys accepted the position of General Secretary, and has since devoted himself with marked energy and at a considerable personal expense to securing the co-operation of the parishes of the Church in the work of the Board.

After nearly two years of practical experiment, the Board feels itself justified in appealing to the Church for funds wherewith to carry out its plans to their fullest extent.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE, *Chairman*.
H. B. WHIPPLE.
MORGAN DIX.
DAVID H. GREER.
W. R. HUNTINGTON.

THE CHURCH UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS.

The Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., the Rev. David H. Greer, D.D., the Rev. William R. Huntington, D.D., the Rev. Eliphalet N. Potter, D.D., Mr. Henry Drisler, LL.D., Mr. James M. Garnett, Mr. George W. Vanderbilt, Mr. Spencer Trask, and Mr. Silas McBee.

APPENDIX XIV.

REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN OF THE STANDARD BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, to be holden on the first Wednesday in October, in the year of our Lord 1895 :

THE Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer begs leave to present his report.

Immediately on the passage of the resolution adopting a standard text of the Book of Common Prayer and the adoption of the amended Canon with reference to the same, I obtained from the Committee on the Standard advance copies of sheets from the type prepared for the Standard, and furnished them to all publishers who desired them. At the same time I made appointment of persons suitably recommended, giving them authority to compare editions that should be prepared with certified copies of the Standard, that I might, on their report, issue the certificate required by Canon. The care exercised by the persons thus appointed and by the skilled readers in the several printing houses brought to light certain slips and errors in the type which had been prepared ; and by the courtesy of the publishers, who were anxious to have their work in every way perfect, I received prompt notification of these. This made it possible to supply the Church at a very early day with books conforming to the new Standard, in which but trifling inaccuracies or inconsistencies could be detected ; and to provide very soon large editions in which, though there may be one or two inconsistencies of editing, it is believed that there are no typographical inaccuracies whatever. Great thanks are due to those who, in various ways, with unfailing consideration and courtesy, contributed to bring about such gratifying results. And herein acknowledgment should be made, not only of communication from publishers and others having official connection with editions of the Prayer Book, but also of letters from numerous correspondents in different parts of the country.

The copies of the Book of Common Prayer printed directly from the type prepared for the Standard, under the resolution of the Convention did not require an official certificate from me as Custodian. No others, it is believed, have been made or published without a certificate as required. The requirements as to uniformity in paging and in other matters of typographical arrangement have been carefully observed ; the plates have been almost always, if not in every case, made from new type ; and the books have presented a very attractive appearance. The requirement as to uniformity in paging, it will be remembered, does not extend to editions smaller than those known as 24mo ; but a recognition of the value of such uniformity has led to its adoption in smaller books. The first plates prepared in this country, from which a great number of copies have been printed, were of the size called " imperial 32mo " ; and in these, though a line-for-line uniformity was not attained, yet all the purposes of uniform paging were secured, every paragraph and prayer, and every verse of each canticle or psalm, be-

on the same page as in the Standard, so that reference could be without danger of confusion. All editions larger than 32mo, and 48mos of two of the large English printing-houses, have been printed in absolute conformity to the Standard, line for line, producing a facsimile effect, though different type has been used. In the 48mos and 32mos no attempts at uniformity was expected or made.

The permanent appointments made under § v. of the Canon (subject, however, to revocation by myself or my successor in office) have been as follows: one person in the city of New York, one at the Queen's Printers in London, one at the Oxford University Press, and one at the Cambridge University Press. I have also appointed, to compare special editions with the Standard, three persons at different times in Philadelphia, and one person in Chicago; and an appointment has been made for an edition of the Prayer Book to be published in Boston. Memoranda of these appointments, and certificates from those appointed as to each edition prepared for the press, are on file in my office. The editions issued include the Book of Common Prayer in 8vo, 12mo, 24mo, 32mo, and 48mo, the book omitting Calendar and Occasional Services and Articles in 128mo, the Order for the Holy Communion with Epistles and Gospels in 8vo, the Litany with Occasional Prayers and Thanksgiving in 8vo, and the Ordinal with accompanying services (large type) in 4to. It may be added that editions have been printed in 12mo and in 32mo with the rubrics in red. The whole number of copies of the Prayer Book thus far printed from the new Standard has been about one million one hundred thousand.

The Standard Prayer Book itself, duly authenticated as provided by the Canon, and enclosed in a carved ebony box, was delivered to me in November, 1895.

The Canon, in § iii., provides for the correction of any "typographical inaccuracy" that may be found in the Standard; and it would probably be the duty of the Custodian to report any such inaccuracy that should come to his notice. The Standard Book has been in my possession for so short a time that I have not been able to examine it carefully; but I am confident, as was said above, that the copies now printed in conformity with the Standard are absolutely free from typographical inaccuracy. There is a slip of editing on page 262, in the first line, where for "Minister" we should read "Question"; this can doubtless be corrected by a resolution of the General Convention, unless it be thought better to wait until the Standard can be examined for possible errors in printing.

The places of the Golden Numbers prefixed to several days in the calendar for March and April, will need to be changed (see pages xxv. and xxviii. of the Prayer Book) on the first day of January, in the year 2000, and a resolution providing for this change, which may be finally adopted in 1898, is appended to this report. Further change in the places of the Golden Numbers will not be required until the year 2200.

At my request, the several publishers have presented to me, for my personal library, a copy of each of the editions of the Book of Common Prayer published from the new Standard. Beginning, with kind encouragement, to make a "Custodian's Collection" which should include copies of all the Standard editions of the Prayer Book and of other books as might throw special light on the Standards, it was found that to draw the line between editions that would be of use to the bibliologist and those that would interest only the bibliographer; and as it has appeared to be a good opportunity to secure old editions of the Prayer Book, I have been collecting copies of all editions that came into my hands, and searching especially for those earlier than Dr. Coit's Standard of 1785, and for those printed directly from it. The result has been the

securing of a collection of nearly two hundred separate editions of the Book of Common Prayer. Part of these were sent in reply to a request accompanying a list of those already obtained, which was published in August of last year; and thanks for gifts to the Custodian's Collection are due to, —

St. Paul's Church, Newburyport, Mass. (through Rev. W. C. Richardson); Grace Church, Saybrook, Conn.; St. James' Church, West Hartford, Conn.; Trinity College Chapel, Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Miriam Anderson, Saybrook, Conn.; Messrs. D. Appleton & Co., New York; Mrs. N. E. Baylies, Taunton, Mass.; Mr. James S. Biddle, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. Prof. Ferguson, Hartford, Conn.; Mr. Henry Hart, Saybrook, Conn.; Rev. Joseph Hooper, Durham Centre, Conn.; Mr. Charles A. Horne, Dover, N. H.; Miss M. B. Johnston, Washington D.C.; Mr. R. S. Ketchum, Mystic, Conn.; Miss Rozelle Lloyd, Hartford, Conn.; Miss Mary Medlicott, Longmeadow, Mass.; Mr. S. S. Nash, Taunton, N. C.; Rev. Dr. G. H. Nicholls, Hoosac Falls, N. Y.; Mrs. C. E. Redfield, Meriden, Conn.; Mr. John H. Sage, Portland, Conn.; Miss Catherine Sherwood, Hyde Park, N. Y.; Rev. U. H. Spencer, Ontario, Cal.; Mr. William M. Super, Baltimore, Md.; Mr. Thomas Whittaker, New York; Messrs. E. & J. B. Young & Co., New York.

For the greater part of the collection, however, thanks are due to the member of the House of Deputies under whose encouragement it was begun, and who has thus added to the generous services that he has rendered to the Church in connection with the publication of the Standard Book of Common Prayer.

A catalogue of the collection, to which it is hoped that valuable additions may be still made, is given as an appendix to this report.

These books, with the copies of new editions already mentioned and other books and papers belonging officially to the Custodian, have been placed in the room assigned to the Custodian in the Church Mission House, New York. If it is necessary, I ask authority to keep these documents and the Standard Book in this room, which has a fire-proof vault.

Besides gifts already mentioned, I have received from the Bishop of Western New York the subscription paper for meeting the expense of the stereotype plates from which the General Convention Book of 1844 and the Standard of 1845 were printed; from the Bishop of Michigan a copy of the version of the English Prayer Book into Greek, made by James Dupont, Dean of Peterborough, and printed in 1665; from Rev. Dr. W. R. Huntington, a beautiful copy of *Εὐχολόγιον τὸ μέγα* sent to him by the Archbishop of Athens by the hands of the Archimandrite in New York, with a manuscript inscription, accompanying the Archbishop's acknowledgment of a copy of our new Standard; from Mrs. Francis Harison, of Washington, D.C., the sheets of a copy of "Altar Service," published by the late Rev. Dr. Harison; and from Rev. P. Voorhees Finch, of Greenfield, Mass., an English Prayer Book of 1721, with Bible of 1719 and Metrical Psalms of 1722.

All which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL HART,

Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer.

OCTOBER 1, 1895.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, The House of ———— concurring, that the following change be made in the Book of Common Prayer, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention:

That, on the first day of January in the year of our Lord, 1900, the place of the Golden Numbers prefixed to several days in the Calendar,

between the twenty-first day of March and the eighteenth day of April, both inclusive, be changed, and that the Golden Numbers be prefixed to days in the Calendar in March and April as in the following table:

IN MARCH:		IN APRIL:	
	21		1
14	22	13	2
3	23	2	3
	24		4
11	25	10	5
	26		6
19	27	18	7
8	28	7	8
	29		9
16	30	15	10
5	31	4	11
			12
		12	13
		1	14
			15
		9	16
		17	17
		6	18

and that in the fifth line of page xxv. the figures "1899" be changed to "2199."

NOTE.

The Convention, having adopted the resolution appended to the above report, by a further resolution (see Journal, page 208), directed the Committee to have fifty copies of the Book of Common Prayer from the type of the Standard "duly attested by the Committee and the presiding officers and secretaries of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1892, and deposit the same with the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book for use in supplying new Dioceses and Missionary Districts with duly certified copies of the Standard."

The Committee, acting under the authority and the instruction of the Convention, has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That in virtue of the vote of the General Convention authorizing the Joint Committee to make such disposal of the large paper copies of the Book of Common Prayer, now remaining in its hands, as shall seem best to it, this Committee entrusts the said volumes to the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer to be kept by him for distribution as follows:

(1) Set apart fifty copies to add to the supply already in hand for distribution, to such new Dioceses and Missionary Districts as shall hereafter be established.

(2) Send to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestry of each parish church historically associated with the work of revision, to wit, the Church of the Holy Trinity, New York; the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia; St. James' Church, Chicago; St. George's Church, New York; Emmanuel Church, Baltimore; Gethsemane Church, Minneapolis, one copy to be preserved as a memento, unless said parish churches have already received them.

(3) Send one copy to the Rev. Dr. Frederick Gibson, in recognition of his services rendered to the Committee.

(4) Keep in store all the remaining copies, to be given by vote of the General Convention from time to time to such institutions or indi-

viduals as the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer shall in his triennial report formally recommend to such honour.

Resolved, That the Custodian be requested to have prepared certificates of attestation, with the signatures required by Canon, in sufficient number for insertion in all the copies set apart for distribution to new Dioceses and Missionary Districts.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART,
Secretary of the Committee.

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN OF THE STANDARD PRAYER BOOK.

CATALOGUE OF EDITIONS OF THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER IN THE CUSTODIAN'S COLLECTION.

NOTE.—This catalogue is intended to give in each case the date and place of publication, with the publisher's name, and the size of the volume. In a few instances, where no date appears on the title-page, the date of the certificate is prefixed in brackets; and in nearly, if not quite, every case in which the date of publication differs from that of the certificate, the latter is placed in brackets at the end of the line. Editions expressly called "stereotype" are indicated by an asterisk [*]; and those stated to be printed in England are denoted by "*Eng.*" The indication of the size of the volume is but approximate.

10	12mo	Phila.: Hall & Sellers. STANDARD.
13	8vo	N.Y.: Hugh Gaine [not quite perfect]. STANDARD.
14	12mo	Boston: Thomas & Andrews.
15	folio	N.Y.: Hugh Gaine [not quite perfect].
15	24mo	Phila.: Young & Ormrod.
17	24mo	N.Y.: T. Allen.
18	24mo	N.Y.: Hugh Gaine.
20	16mo	Boston: Thomas & Andrews.
20	24mo	Wilmington: Peter Brynberg.
21	8vo	Brooklyn: Thomas Kirk [printer].
22	16mo	Worcester: Isaiah Thomas, Jun. [without Tables, Psalter, etc.].
23	16mo	N.Y.: for William Durell [George Forman, Printer].
23	16mo	N.Y.: for Peter Brynberg, Wilmington [George Forman, Printer].
23	24mo	N.Y.: Samuel Campbell.
23	32mo	Wilmington: Peter Brynberg.
25	4to	N.Y.: Peter A. Mesier.
25	8vo	Phila.: I. L. Plowman [with introduction].
25	16mo	N.Y.: T. & J. Swords.
26	8vo	N.Y.: Peter A. Mesier.
26	12mo	N.Y.: Alexander Ming.
28	24mo	N.Y.: Campbell & Mitchell.
29	16mo	Phila.: John Bioren.
29	64mo	Phila. (Whitehall): Abel Dickinson.
30	12mo	N.Y.: T. & J. Swords.
30	24mo	N.Y.: T. & J. Swords.
31	8vo	Boston: Charles Williams.
32	12mo	Phila.: Moses Thomas.
32	32mo	Balto.: William Warner.
32	48mo	N.Y.: D. & G. Bruce.
33	24mo	N.Y.: T. & J. Swords.
33	48mo	Phila.: W. W. Woodward.
35	12mo	N.Y.: T. & J. Swords.
35	16mo	Balto.: Coale & Maxwell.
35	24mo	N.Y.: T. & J. Swords, for Soc'y for Advancing Christianity in S. C.
16	24mo	N.Y.: T. & J. Swords.*
16	24mo	N.Y.: Bible & C. B. P. Soc'y.*

- 1817 12mo N.Y.: R. & W. A. Bartow.*
 1817 48mo N.Y.: W. B. Gilley.*
 1817? 24mo Balto.: Joseph N. Lewis.
 1818 8vo N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y.*
 1818 8vo Phila.: Henry F. Annors.
 1818 8vo Phila.: Common P. B. Soc'y.*
 1819 8vo N.Y.: Henry L. Megarey.*
 1820 16mo N.Y.: Henry L. Megarey.*
 1821 48mo N.Y.: W. B. Gilley* [1817].
 1822 8vo Phila.: Common P. B. Soc'y [1818]. STANDARD.
 1822 12mo Balto.: E. J. Coale & Co. [N.Y. 1817].
 1823 4to New Haven: Sidney's Press [Rp. Brownell's edition, with notes].
 1823 32mo Albany: E. & E. Hosford* [1817].
 1823 48mo N.Y.: Bliss & White.*
 1825 8vo N.Y.: W. B. Gilley [1819].
 1825 8vo Phila.: Thomas Destilver [no certif.].
 1827 48mo Hartford: Silas Andrus* [N.Y. 1826].
 1827 16mo N.Y.: S. Marks [1819].
 1827 16mo Phila.: Samuel F. Bradford.
 1827 24mo N.Y.: Caleb Bartlett [1817].
 1828 8vo Phila.: S. F. Bradford [1818].
 1828 8vo Phila.: Church Miss'y House [N.Y. 1818].
 1828 32mo N.Y.: White, Gallagher & White [1823].
 1828 48mo N.Y.: White, Gallagher & White* [1823].
 [1828] 8vo Boston: James B. Dow.
 1829 8vo Boston: Mass. Epis. Miss'y Soc'y.*
 1829 8vo N.Y.: W. B. Gilley [1819].
 1829 24mo N.Y.: T. & J. Swords* [1818].
 1829 24mo Phila.: William Stavely* [1828].
 1830 8vo N.Y.: Prot. Epis. Press* [1819].
 1830 24mo N.Y.: Caleb Bartlett [1820].
 1830 24mo Phila.: William Stavely [1827].
 1830 24mo N.Y.: Bible & C. P. B. Soc'y [1826].
 1831 8vo Phila.: L. Johnson [N.Y. 1818].
 1831 16mo N.Y.: Prot. Epis. Press.
 1831 16mo Phila.: William Stavely [1827].
 1831 24mo N.Y.: Caleb Bartlett [Penn. 1828].
 1831 32mo N.Y.: Elam Bliss.
 [1831] 32mo N.Y.: P. E. Press, C. Wells.
 1832 16mo N.Y.: Bartlett & Raynor [1820].
 1832 32mo N.Y.: Prot. Epis. Press [1831].
 1832 48mo N.Y.: N. & J. White* [1823].
 1833 8vo Phila.: Thomas T. Ash [1818].
 1833 24mo N.Y.: Prot. Epis. Press [1826].
 1833 24mo Phila.: George Latimer & Co. [1827].
 1833 24mo Phila.: Thomas T. Ash [1832].
 1835 8vo Balto.: Joseph N. Lewis [1818].
 1835 8vo N.Y.: Prot. Epis. Press* [1819].
 1835 8vo N.Y.: Common P. B. Soc'y* [1823].
 1835 12mo Phila.: John C. Pechin.
 1835 16mo N.Y.: Bartlett & Raynor [1833].
 1835 24mo N.Y.: Common P. B. Soc'y [1832].
 1835 24mo Phila.: John C. Pechin [1827].
 1836 12mo Phila. & Providence: W. Marshall & Co.
 1836 12mo Phila.: Thomas Latimer.
 1836 12mo Phila.: W. Marshall & Co.*
 1836 12mo Phila.: Carey & Hart* [1835].

1836	12mo	N.Y.: Prot. Epis. Press * [1819].
1836	16mo	Phila.: Carey & Hart * [1835].
1836	24mo	Buffalo: Oliver G. Steele [Penn. 1826].
1836	24mo	N.Y.: Auxiliary P. B. Soc'y [1832].
1836	24mo	Phila.: Bishop White P. B. Soc'y.*
1836	24mo	Phila.: Thomas Latimer.*
1836	32mo	N.Y.: Prot. Epis. Press [1831].
[1836]	24mo	Phila.: Hooker & Agnew, for Bp. White P. B. Soc'y.
1837	4to	Phila.: Female P. E. P. B. Soc'y.*
1837	8vo	Phila.: Desilver, Thomas & Co. [1836].
1837	12mo	Phila.: Female P. B. Soc'y.
1838	8vo	N.Y.: A. Hanford [rubricated].
1838	8vo	Boston: C. Stimpson, Jr., for Board of Missions [1828].
1838	12mo	Phila.: Thomas, Cowperthwait & Co.*
1838	24mo	Phila.: Bishop White P. B. Soc'y * [1836].
1839	12mo	Phila.: Thomas, Cowperthwait & Co.
1839	16mo	N.Y.: H. & S. Raynor.
1840	8vo	N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y [1831].
1840	32mo	Phila.: Henry F. Annors [1832].
[1840]	24mo	Claremont, N.H.: Claremont Mfg. Co. [N.Y. 1840].
1841	12mo	Phila.: Female P. E. P. B. Soc'y * [1838]. STANDARD.
1841	24mo	Phila.: Carey & Hart [1835].
1841	24mo	N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y [1832].
1841	48mo	Phila.: Henry F. Annors [1836].
1842	12mo	Phila.: Thomas, Cowperthwait & Co. [1838].
1842	24mo	N.Y.: H. & S. Raynor [1840].
1843	16mo	Phila.: King & Baird, Bp. White Soc'y [1836].
1843	48mo	Phila.: Henry F. Annors [183-].
1844	8vo	N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y [1823].
1844	8vo	N.Y.: Alexander V. Blake.
1844	12mo	Phila.: Carey & Hart.*
1844	16mo	Hartford: S. Andrus & Son [Penn. 1836].
1844	24mo	N.Y.: Common P. B. Soc'y [1832].
1844	24mo	N.Y.: H. & S. Raynor [1840].
1844	32mo	Hartford: Robins & Smith [N.Y. 1826].
1845	8vo	N.Y. and Phila.: D. Appleton & Co.
1845	16mo	Buffalo: Oliver G. Steele [Penn. 1828].
1845	16mo	N.Y.: Harper & Brothers.
1845	24mo	Phila.: George & Wayne [1844].
1845	32mo	N.Y.: Harper & Brothers.
1845	32mo	Phila.: Henry F. Annors [1832].
[1845]	8vo	N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y* [Standard plates].
1846	8vo	N.Y.: Stanford & Swords [1845]. STANDARD.
1846	32mo	Phila.: J. B. Lippincott & Co. * [N. J. 1845].
[1846]	16mo	Phila.: Miller & Burlock.
1847	24mo	Phila.: Thomas Wardle [1847].
1848	48mo	Phila.: Henry F. Annors [183-].
1848	48mo	N.Y.: Stanford & Swords [Penn. 1843].
[1848]	16mo	Phila.: King & Baird.
1849	8vo	Hartford: S. Andrus & Son [1846].
1850	24mo	Phila.: Henry F. Annors [1846].
1850	24mo	N.Y.: Stanford & Swords [1818].
[1850]	48mo	N.Y.: Bible & C. P. B. Soc'y. <i>Eng.</i>
1851	16mo	Hartford: A. C. Goodman & Co. [1850].
1851	24mo	N.Y.: Eyre & Spottiswoode [1850] <i>Eng.</i>
[1852]	32mo	Phila.: King & Baird for Bp. White P. B. Soc'y [1852].
1853	8vo	N.Y.: Stanford & Swords [1852].
1856	16mo	N.Y.: Dana & Co. [Conn. 1850].

- 1856 32mo N.Y.: T. Nelson & Sons.
 1856 48mo Phila.: C. G. Henderson & Co. [183-].
 1857 16mo Phila.: J. B. Lippincott & Co. [1846].
 1859 8vo N.Y.: D. Appleton & Co. [1845].
 1859 24mo N.Y.: D. Appleton & Co. [Penn. 1846].
 [1859] 8vo (thin) N.Y.: E. P. Dutton & Co. [Penn.].
 [1859] 8vo Phila.: William Rutter & Co.
 1860 16mo N.Y.: D. Appleton & Co. [1845].
 1860 64mo N.Y.: D. Appleton & Co. [1840].
 [1863] 24mo N.Y.: Thomas Whittaker [Penn. 1863].
 [1865] 48mo N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y [copyright paging].
 1865 32mo N.Y.: D. Appleton & Co. [1850].
 1866 24mo Phila.: J. B. Lippincott & Co. [1857].
 1866 32mo Phila.: J. B. Lippincott & Co. [N.J. 1845].
 1866 32mo N.Y.: D. Appleton & Co. [1850].
 1867 24mo N.Y.: T. Nelson & Sons [1857].
 1867 32mo N.Y.: T. Nelson & Sons [1856].
 [1867] 48mo N.Y.: T. Nelson & Sons. *Eng.*
 1868 12mo Phila.: Claxton, Remsen & Haffelfinger [N.Y. 1858].
 1868 24mo Phila.: P. E. Book Soc'y [1863].
 [1868] 24mo N.Y.: E. & J. B. Young & Co. *Eng.*
 [1868] 48mo N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y. *Eng.*
 1869 12mo N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y. *Eng.*
 1869 32mo N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y [1868] [rubricated].
 1870 12mo N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y [1869]. *Eng.*
 1870 24mo N.Y.: D. Appleton & Co. [1845].
 1870 32mo Phila.: J. B. Lippincott & Co. [no certif.].
 1879 12mo N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y [1869]. *Eng.*
 — 32mo Phila.: P. E. Book Soc'y [no certif.; partly rubricated].
 — 24mo N.Y.: E. & J. B. Young & Co. [no certif.; Psalter, &c.,
 pointed and copyrighted].
 [1881] 12mo N.Y.: E. & J. B. Young & Co. *Eng.*
 [1881] 32mo N.Y.: E. & J. B. Young & Co.
 [1882] 24mo N.Y.: Prayer Book Soc'y.
 [1882] 48mo N.Y.: E. & J. B. Young & Co.
 [1881] 16mo, 24mo, 32mo, 48mo, 64mo N.Y.: E. & J. B. Young & Co.
Eng. [with Appendix, &c.].
 1887 24mo Phila.: Bp. White P. B. Soc'y [1873].
 1887 ditto with first Appendix.
 1890 ditto with second Appendix.
 — 24mo Phila.: E. Clayton & Co. for Bp. White P. B. Soc'y.

Also: Proposed Book. English reprint, 1789.

Standard Hymnal of 1827. Phila.: S. F. Bradford.

Proper Lessons, 24mo [last revision, without Transfiguration].

Lessons for Lent, 24mo.

APPENDIX XV.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE STANDARD BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, to be holden on the First Wednesday in October, in the Year of Our Lord 1895.

THE Joint Committee appointed by the Convention of 1889 to prepare Standard Prayer Book begs leave to present the following Supplemental Report:

At the General Convention of 1892, this Committee, acting under the terms of its appointment, submitted a full report on the Standard, accompanied by a copy of the Standard of 1845, exhibiting all the insertions and changes of every kind which were described or explained in the report, and also by a copy of the whole Book of Common Prayer printed in accordance with the said report, and containing the changes required by the resolutions of amendment or alteration which had been finally adopted by that Convention.

The text submitted by this Committee was accepted as the correct text of the Common Prayer Book of this Church with the Offices and Articles; and the Committee were "instructed to cause to be printed on vellum a corresponding book," to be "duly authenticated" and "delivered to the Custodian for careful preservation, according to the provisions of the Canon." Further resolutions authorized the Committee to print from the same type one thousand one hundred and sixty-one (1,161) copies of the book, and, "after reserving so many as shall be needful for distribution among the Dioceses of this Church and the members of this Convention, to do with the remainder as they shall judge best, either disposing of them to subscribers, or presenting them in the name of the General Convention to such persons and to such institutions, literary and ecclesiastical, as they shall think proper."

In order that the provisions of the Canon "on the Standard Book of Common Prayer," adopted by the Convention, might be carried out, and that the Church might be provided with copies of the Prayer Book after the new Standard at as early a day as possible, the Committee supplied advance sheets from the type prepared for the Standard to the Custodian for the use of publishers. To the skill of the proof-readers in the several offices, the vigilance of the persons appointed by the Custodian to compare the text of the several editions with that of the Standard, and the courtesy of the publishers, was due the detection of certain slips and inaccuracies in the plates as at first prepared. These, as being divergencies between the description of the text given in the report and the type set to represent the text, were duly corrected; and the attention of all the publishers having been called to them, uniform accuracy was attained in a remarkably short time; and the delay in the publication of the more elaborate copies printed from the type of the Standard enabled them to be, practically if not absolutely, free from typographical errors.

Of the copies of the Book of Common Prayer which the Committee were authorized to print from the type thus prepared, five hundred were

printed in royal octavo, on fine paper, and in cloth binding. From this edition a copy was sent to each Bishop of this Church, and to each Deputy to the Convention of 1892.

In order to comply with the provisions of § iii. of the Canon, a sufficient number of copies were printed in large folio with ruled border on hand-made paper, and in vellum binding, richly gilt, one of which was sent "to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese or Jurisdiction in trust for the use thereof, and for reference and appeal in questions as to the authorized formularies of this Church." These copies were authenticated by autograph signatures, as required by Canon.

The remaining copies of the number authorized by the Convention were likewise printed in large folio on hand-made paper, and in vellum binding (except eleven, which were on vellum and in white leather), adorned with gilding, and with engraved borders to the pages. Of these, a part were offered to subscribers, and a copy was presented, in the name of the Convention, to each of the following-named institutions and individuals:

Library of Lambeth Palace, London.

Library of York Cathedral.

The Bodleian Library, Oxford.

Library of the University of Cambridge, England.

Library of Fulham Palace, London.

Library of the Church House, Dean's Yard, Westminster, England.

Library of the Archdiocese of Armagh, Ireland.

Library of the Archdiocese of Dublin, Ireland.

The Episcopal Chest of Scotland, Edinburgh.

Diocesan Library of Montreal, Canada.

Library of the Diocese of Quebec, Canada.

Library of the Archdiocese of Calcutta, India.

The Most Reverend the Metropolitan of Canada, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Library of the Archdiocese of Cape Town, Africa.

Library of the Archdiocese of Sydney, Australia.

Library of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, London.

Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Library of Columbia College.

Library of Trinity College.

Library of the University of the South.

Library of Kenyon College.

Library of Hobart College.

Library of the General Theological Seminary, New York.

Library of the Theological Seminary, Alexandria, Va.

Library of the Divinity School of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Philadelphia.

Library of the Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Conn.

Library of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass.

Library of the Seabury Divinity School, Faribault, Minn.

Library of Nashotah House.

Library of the Western Theological Seminary, Chicago, Ill.

Library of St. Andrew's Divinity School, Syracuse, N.Y.

Library of St. Stephen's College, Annandale, N.Y.

Library of the New York Training School for Deaconesses, New York.

Library of the Church Training School and Deaconess House of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

Library of the Church Missions House, New York.

Library of Harvard University.

Library of Yale University.

y of Princeton University.
 y of the University of Pennsylvania.
 oston Public Library.
 stor Library.
 athedral Library, All Saints' Cathedral, Albany, N. Y.
 eabody Institute, Baltimore, Md.
 ev. Charles L. Hutchins, D.D.
 ev. Dr. William Tatlock, Stamford, Conn.
 el Berkeley Updike, Esq.
 . L. De Vinne, Esq.
 Wells Bosworth, Esq.
 am G. Goodhue, Esq.
 oh E. Hill, Esq.
 k E. Hopkins, Esq.

y, the Standard Book itself has been printed with great care on
 f folio size, the borders of the pages ruled in red, and bound in
 rnamented with silver; and the volume, duly authenticated and
 in a carved oaken box, has been delivered to the Custodian of
 lard Book of Common Prayer.

ommittee, understanding that there are persons who wish to
 pies of the Prayer Book from the Standard type and with
 as they have already been supplied to subscribers under the
 the resolution of 1892, ask permission to increase the number of
 uthorized by one hundred and ten; and for this purpose they
 nd the passage of the appended resolution.

sing their report, the Committee desire again to acknowledge
 gations to all who have in any way furthered their work, and
 them to present the results of their labours in satisfactory and
 at form.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE.
 WM. STEVENS PERRY.
 HENRY CODMAN POTTER.
 WILLIAM R. HUNTINGTON.
 SAMUEL HART.
 J. STEINFORT KEDNEY.
 J. PIERPONT MORGAN.
 JOSEPH PACKARD.
 SAMUEL ELIOT.

RESOLUTION.

ed, The House of ———— concurring, That the Joint Com-
 the Standard Prayer Book be authorized to print from the type
 andard one hundred and ten additional copies of the book, and
 e of them to subscribers or otherwise.

ognition of professional services rendered during the preparation of the

APPENDIX XVI.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

THE Joint Commission: the Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Quincy, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Maryland, the Rev. E. A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. J. S. Stone, D.D., the Rev. Kinloch Nelson, D.D.,¹ the Rev. C. A. L. Richards, D.D., the Rev. Charles H. Hall, D.D., the Rev. William J. Seabury, D.D., the Rev. Hall Harrison, D.D. (*Secretary*), Mr. W. H. Lightner, Mr. Edward G. Bradford, Mr. F. B. Swayne, Mr. Charles G. Saunders, Mr. John A. Beall, Mr. Frank H. Miller, Mr. W. S. Laidley.

The Joint Commission appointed by the General Convention of 1892 were entrusted with "the work of revising, with the aid of such members of this Church, learned in the law, as they may be minded to consult, the Constitution and Canons of this Church, for the purpose (1) of rendering them more entirely harmonious and freeing them from ambiguities; (2) of adapting them to the greater enlargement and growth of the Church; and (3) of clothing them with such accuracy and precision of language as shall relieve the Digest from the technicalities and objections which are made to its phraseology by jurists and canonists." The Commission have devoted twenty-eight days to this work, and have endeavoured, to the best of their ability, to carry out their instructions. The results are printed herewith, in advance of the meeting of the General Convention, in order that they may have the careful consideration of those who are to give attention to these matters. The reasons which led the Joint Commission to propose the several changes in the Constitution and Canons will be explained more fully in the report which will accompany their presentation to the General Convention in October next.

DECLARATION.

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Bishops, the Clergy, and the Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in General Convention assembled, make the following declaration:

This Church, as an integral portion of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, holds the Faith maintained by the undivided Church, defined in the Creeds commonly called the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds, and divinely set forth in Holy Writ; receives the Canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the Word of God, and as containing all things necessary to salvation; ministers the two Sacraments ordained by Christ Himself, with unfailing use of Christ's Words of institution and of the elements ordained by Him; and continues steadfast in the Apostolic Ministry of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons.

And this Church, taking order for the alteration of the Constitution adopted at Philadelphia in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, with the amendments thereto heretofore adopted, in the manner and form in said Constitution provided, hereby in amendment and in place thereof sets forth and establishes the following Constitution.

¹ Deceased.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Synod of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Synod must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, and every Bishop Coadjutor, shall have a seat and vote in the House of Bishops, and Bishops whose resignation of jurisdiction shall have been accepted shall have seats therein. A majority of all the Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Missionary Bishops, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The House of Bishops shall, by a majority of all entitled to vote in the said House, elect from its own number a Primus to be its Presiding Officer and to discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Canons of the General Synod, or, for its own needs, by the House of Bishops. The Primus shall hold office for life unless he resign, or be removed for incapacity, or for canonical cause.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Synod, shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than three Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and three Laymen, communicants of this Church and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one order only, such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the General Synod.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by this Constitution, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Synod shall adjourn, without the consent of the other, for more than three days, nor to any place other than that in which the Synod shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by the Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of any Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church shall have seats in the House of Deputies without the right to vote.

SEC. 7. If at any time during the session of the General Synod,

either House shall desire that the two Houses sit together for conference and better mutual understanding as to any designated question, a joint session may be held under such provisions and rules as the General Synod may hereafter provide; but no vote shall be taken in the joint session on such question.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. The General Synod shall meet on the first Wednesday of October in every third year after the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, at such place as shall be appointed by the Synod; and if there shall appear to the Primus sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Synod.

SEC. 2. The House of Bishops shall have the right to meet at any time for purposes other than legislative action.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. For the purposes declared in this Constitution, and under the limitations therein prescribed, the General Synod is the Supreme Legislative Authority in this Church, and, in addition to such powers as are in other Articles of this Constitution expressly or by implication conferred upon it, shall have exclusive power to legislate upon the following subjects:

(a) The qualifications and conditions for making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons.

(b) The conditions for the formation, division, and rearrangement of Provinces and Dioceses, and the relations of Provinces and Dioceses to each other.

(c) The foreign relations of the Church.

(d) The general missionary, educational, and charitable work of the Church.

SEC. 2. The General Synod shall also have power to enact Canons of Discipline, and exclusive power to enact Canons defining the offences for which Bishops, Presbyters, and Deacons may be tried, and determining the penalties; such penalties being either admonition, or suspension, or deposition, or degradation from the Ministry. But whenever the sentence of suspension is pronounced, it shall specify on what terms and at what time the penalty shall cease.

The court for the trial of a Bishop shall be composed of Bishops only. The mode of trial of a Bishop, and all proceedings regulating the same, including the form of the judgment to be rendered, and of the sentence thereupon, and the modification or remission of such sentence, shall be prescribed by ordinances to be enacted by the House of Bishops.

The mode of trial of Presbyters and of Deacons, and the proceedings regulating the same, including the form of the judgment to be rendered and of the sentence thereupon, shall be prescribed by the Diocese in which such trial is had, or by the Province with the consent of the said Diocese.

Upon questions of doctrine a final appeal may in all cases be taken to the House of Bishops, and upon such appeal no question of fact shall be reviewed. All trials shall be public, except by the consent of the accused. No one but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence upon any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

SEC. 3. The General Synod shall have further power to provide by Canon for the exercise of discipline by the Bishop of a Missionary Jurisdiction over Presbyters and Deacons canonically connected therewith.

unless such provision have been made by the Province with which such Jurisdiction is united, and assented to by said Bishop.

SEC. 4. The powers not committed to the General Synod or to the Provincial Synods by this Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the Dioceses, are reserved to the Dioceses respectively, save that no Diocese or Province shall legislate in regard to doctrine or worship. The right belongs to each Diocese to legislate for its own diocesan interests, and to delegate authority belonging to it, as is hereinafter provided, to the Province with which it is united as provided in Article IV.; but no Diocese or Province shall by its legislation contravene this Constitution or any Canon of the General Synod enacted in conformity therewith.

ARTICLE IV.

SECTION 1. The Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions shall be united into Provinces by the General Synod in such manner and under such conditions as shall be provided by Canon. The bounds of such Provinces shall be determined by the General Synod, and may at any time thereafter be changed by the General Synod, with the consent of the Provinces concerned. Every Province must include not less than five contiguous Dioceses.

SEC. 2. In each Province a Synod composed of the Bishops, and of Clergy and Laity, shall be constituted by the action of a majority of the Conventions of the Dioceses within such Province, and of the Bishops therein, for the exercise of such legislative powers, not inconsistent with the Constitutional powers of the General Synod, as may by such action be delegated to it; but no Diocese shall be bound by any legislation of said Synod until it shall have entered into union therewith. Such Synod may provide a uniform mode of trial of Presbyters and of Deacons for such of the Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions in said Province as shall have consented thereto by entering into union with the said Synod, and an appeal may be had by the accused, under rules provided by such Synod, from the decision rendered in any such trial upon all questions of law, and by either party upon questions of doctrine, to a court composed of the Bishops of the Province, exclusive of the one in whose jurisdiction the decision was rendered. But no question of fact shall be reviewed upon any appeal.

SEC. 3. The Bishops of each Province shall elect one of their number to be Primate of the Province.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese the Bishop, or Bishop-Coadjutor, shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be prescribed by the Convention of that Diocese. Missionary Bishops shall be chosen by the House of Bishops in accordance with canonical provisions of the General Synod.

SEC. 2. A Bishop shall confine the exercise of his office to his own Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, unless requested to perform some episcopal act in another Diocese or in a Missionary Jurisdiction by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, or unless authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops to act temporarily, in case of need, beyond the territorial limits of the United States.

SEC. 3. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor without the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church, exercising jurisdiction in the United States. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop by less than three Bishops.

SEC. 4. A Bishop may not resign his jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

SEC. 5. Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due appli-

cation therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Primus under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Synod. Such Bishops shall not be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, unless requested to do so by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

SEC. 6. The House of Bishops shall have the right to meet at any time for purposes other than legislative action.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese there shall be a Standing Committee, which shall be appointed by the Convention of the Diocese, whose duties, except so far as provided for by the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

SEC. 2. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese the said Committee shall be his Council of Advice, and when there is no such Bishop it shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

ARTICLE VII.

SECTION 1. A new Diocese may be formed and erected, with the consent of the General Synod and of the Provincial Synod first had and obtained, out of an existing Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses, or in a Missionary Jurisdiction, but such consent shall not be given unless the proposed Diocese contain at the time the consent is given at least ten duly organized and self-supporting congregations, and ten Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident, and, for the same period, holding a cure within the bounds of such proposed Diocese and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such consent be given if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain at the said time less than fifteen such duly organized and self-supporting congregations and fifteen presbyters residing therein and qualified as above mentioned, nor without the approval of the Bishop or Bishops and of the Convention or Conventions concerned, nor until the General Synod has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate.

SEC. 2. In case a Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Bishop of the Diocese divided may choose the Diocese to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may choose the one to which he will be attached, and if it be not that chosen by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

SEC. 3. In case a Diocese shall be formed out of parts of two or more Dioceses, each of the Bishops and Bishops Coadjutor of the several Dioceses, out of which the new Diocese has been formed, shall be entitled in the order of seniority of consecration to the choice between his own Diocese and the new Diocese so formed. In default of such choice the new Diocese shall have the right to choose its own Bishop.

SEC. 4. Any new Diocese shall be admitted into union with the General Synod on its acceding to this Constitution, under such conditions as may be determined by the Synod.

SEC. 5. The General Synod may accept the cession of a part of the territory of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of a Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory, and also the same proportion in the remaining territory, shall consent thereto; *Provided*, that such cession shall have been approved

by the General Synod; and *Provided further*, that such action of the General Synod shall be by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops present and voting, and two-thirds of the House of Deputies, voting by Orders.

ARTICLE VIII.

No one shall be ordered Priest or Deacon until he shall have been examined by the Bishop and by two Presbyters, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon, unless he shall at the time subscribe and make, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, the following declaration:

“I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.”

No one ordered by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as Minister of this Church until he shall have subscribed and made the foresaid declaration.

ARTICLE IX.

The Book of Common Prayer, and Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter, Psalms of David, the Form and Manner of making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of Church or Chapel, the Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles

Religion, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be the use in all the Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions of this Church. No alteration thereof, or addition thereto, shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Synod, and, by a resolve thereof, sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Synod at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies; the vote of each Diocese in this case being determined by the concurrence of the vote of both Orders in that Diocese.

Provided, however, that the General Synod shall have power at any meeting to amend the Tables of Lessons, by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the whole number of Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.

ARTICLE X.

No alteration or amendment of this Constitution shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Synod, and by a resolve thereof sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Synod at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies; the vote of each Diocese in this case being determined by the concurrence of the vote of both Orders in that Diocese.

CANONS.

CANONS OF ORDINATION AND CONSECRATION.

CANON 1.

OF POSTULANTS.

§ I. i. A person desiring to prepare for the Sacred Ministry of the Church shall first make his desire known to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he is a resident, and shall give his Bishop the name of his Rector, or if he have no Rector, the name, if possible, of some other Presbyter, knowing him well and known by the Bishop, from whom the Bishop may gain the Rector's or the Presbyter's judgment of his qualifications, physical, mental, moral, and spiritual, for the work of the Ministry, in order to enable the Bishop to advise him wisely whether to pursue his purpose or not.

ii. He shall then present himself personally to his Bishop, and also state to him in writing :

- (a) His age and antecedents.
- (b) The length of time he has been resident in the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.
- (c) When, and by whom, he was baptized.
- (d) When, and by whom, he was confirmed.
- (e) When, and where, he was admitted to the Holy Communion.
- (f) Whether he has ever before applied for admission as a Postulant or as a Candidate for Holy Orders.
- (g) On what grounds he trusts that he is moved to seek the Sacred Ministry.

§ II. The Bishop, in a book to be kept for that purpose, shall enter the name of each applicant, with the fact of his approval or disapproval of the application, and the date of such entry. If he approve of the application, he shall inform the applicant of the fact, and of the date of his admission as Postulant.

§ III. i. No Bishop shall accept as a Postulant any person who has been refused admission as a Postulant or as a Candidate for Holy Orders, in any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, or who, having been admitted, has afterwards ceased to be a Postulant or a Candidate, until he shall have produced a certificate from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he has been refused admission, or in which he has been a Postulant or a Candidate, declaring the cause of refusal or of cessation.

ii. Should the Bishop accept the applicant as a Postulant, he shall send the said certificate, or a copy thereof, to the Standing Committee, to be considered by them if the said Postulant should apply to be recommended for admission as a Candidate.

§ IV. A Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, shall be competent to receive and act upon applications under this Canon from persons desiring to be received as Postulants.

CANON 2.

OF CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

§ I. A Postulant, having been duly received, may apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he is a Postulant, for recommendation to the Bishop to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders, and shall lay before the Standing Committee the following papers, viz. :

- (a) An Application signed by himself.
- (b) The Bishop's certificate of his admission as a Postulant.
- (c) A certificate in the following words :

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date.

We do certify from our personal knowledge that we are well assured that A. B. is sober, honest, and godly; that he adheres to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and that he is a communicant of the same in good standing. We do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders.

(Signed)

This certificate must be signed by one Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and six Laymen domiciled in the Diocese or Jurisdiction, communicants of this Church, in good standing, who must be certified to be such by a Presbyter of this Church.

§ II. Should the applicant be a person not reared and nurtured in the communion of this Church and recently admitted thereto, he shall also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate, signed by two Presbyters of this Church, known to the Committee, in the following words, viz. :

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,

We do hereby certify that we are personally acquainted with A. B.; that he has become a communicant of this Church, and that we believe him to be sober, honest, and godly. Furthermore, we are satisfied after personal examination, and due inquiry concerning him as to his former religious relations, that he is attached to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and that his change of relations has not arisen from any circumstances unfavourable to his moral or Christian character, or on account of which it may not be expedient to admit him to the Ministry of this Church.

(Signed)

§ III. i. The Postulant, before his admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, must lay before the Bishop satisfactory evidence that he is a graduate in Arts of some university or college in which he has duly studied the Latin and Greek languages.

ii. If the Postulant be not a graduate, as aforesaid, he shall be admitted by the Bishop to the Examining Chaplains, to be examined as to his knowledge of the English language and literature, Mathematics, the Latin and Greek languages, Geography, ancient and modern, and the first principles of Logic, Rhetoric, Psychology, and Ethics, Physics, and History; and the examiners shall report to the Bishop in writing whether the said examinations have been satisfactorily sustained.

iii. Should the Postulant be unable to sustain the examination in the Latin and Greek languages, or either of them, he may make written application to the Bishop for a dispensation therefrom, with the reasons for the application. With this application, he shall lay before the Bishop a certificate, signed by at least two Examining Chaplains of the Diocese, in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend

Bishop of

Place,

Date,

We, Examining Chaplains of the Diocese of _____, sensible of the serious responsibility assumed in doing anything to lower the standard of learning to be required of one who is to be admitted to Holy Orders, and made a Teacher in the Church, yet submit that in the case of A.B. the dispensation asked for may be wisely granted, for the following reasons:

(Signed)

The Bishop shall send the application and the aforesaid certificate to the Standing Committee; and the Standing Committee, at a meeting duly convened, may, by a vote of not less than three-fourths of all the members, recommend that the request of the Candidate be granted.

§ IV. The Standing Committee, on the receipt of the certificate or certificates as above prescribed, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient objection on grounds either physical, mental, moral, or spiritual, to the admission of the applicant, may at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the members consenting, recommend the Postulant for admission to Candidateship, by a testimonial bearing the signatures of a majority of all the members of the Committee, and addressed to the Bishop, in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend

Bishop of

Place,

Date,

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of _____, and having been duly convened at _____, do testify, from personal knowledge or from certificates laid before us, that we believe that A.B. is sober, honest, and godly; that he is attached to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and is a communicant thereof in good standing; and we do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses qualifications which fit him to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord

(Signed)

This testimonial shall be presented to the Bishop without delay.

§ V. When the aforesaid requirements have been complied with, the Bishop may admit the Postulant as a Candidate for Holy Orders. He shall thereupon record his name, with the date of his admission, in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall inform the Candidate and the Secretary of the Standing Committee of the fact and date of such admission.

CANON 3.

OF GENERAL PROVISIONS CONCERNING CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

§ I. i. The superintendence of all Candidates for Holy Orders, both as to their daily life and as to the direction of their theological studies, pertains to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which they belong.

ii. The Bishop shall have the sole discretion to dispense with the knowledge of the Hebrew language.

iii. The Bishop shall assign to each Candidate for Holy Orders texts of Scripture upon which to prepare sermons for his examinations for the Priesthood.

iv. Every candidate shall pursue his studies diligently under proper direction; he shall not indulge in vain or trifling conduct or in amusements, unfavourable to seriousness of deportment, to godly and studious habits and that good report which becomes a person preparing for the Holy Ministry.

v. When the Standing Committee of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction is the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, the Clerical members of the Committee shall, through the President, discharge the duties assigned in this Section to the Bishop.

§ II. i. A candidate must remain in canonical connection with the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he has been admitted, until his ordination, except as hereinafter otherwise provided.

ii. For reasons satisfactory to the Ecclesiastical Authority, Letters Dimissory may be granted to a candidate on his own request to any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

iii. Convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary shall not be a sufficient reason for change of canonical residence.

§ III. i. Every Candidate for Holy Orders shall report himself to the Ecclesiastical Authority, personally or by letter, four times a year, in the Ember weeks, giving account of his manner of life and progress in his studies; and failure to make such report, to the satisfaction of the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall be ground for striking his name from the list of Candidates.

ii. A Candidate for Holy Orders who shall fail to present himself for examination within three years from the date of his admission, may, after due notice, be stricken from the list of Candidates, at the discretion of the Bishop.

§ IV. i. Should the name of a Candidate for Holy Orders be stricken from the list of Candidates, or should his application to the Standing Committee for recommendation for ordination be rejected, or should his application for ordination be finally rejected by the Bishop, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to give immediate notice thereof to every other Ecclesiastical Authority of this Church. If such action be taken for causes which affect the moral character of the Candidate, this fact shall be stated in the notice.

ii. A Candidate for Holy Orders in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, whose name shall have been stricken from the list of Candidates, or whose application for ordination shall have been rejected as above, shall not be ordained without re-admission to candidateship, said candidateship to continue for not less than two whole years.

§ V. A Candidate for Holy Orders shall not be a Deputy to the General Synod.

CANON 4.

OF THE EXAMINATION OF A CANDIDATE DESIRING TO BE ORDERED DEACON.

§ I. i. The Bishop, or the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, when it is acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall assign to the Candidate as his Examiners at least two Examining Chaplains of the Diocese or Jurisdiction.

ii. Examinations at any theological or other literary institution shall not supersede any canonical examinations; nor shall any certificate of

graduation or diploma be sufficient ground for dispensing with any part of the canonical examination.

iii. The Bishop may invite the presence and assistance of the Presbyter who is to present the Candidate, and it shall be the privilege of such Presbyter to be present; but no other person, save the Bishop, shall be permitted to be present, without the consent of the **Examiners**.

§ II. i. The examination of the Candidate shall be:

- (a) The history and contents of the English Bible.
- (b) One Book of the Old Testament in the Hebrew, previously assigned, and one Book of the New Testament in the Greek, previously assigned, unless he has a dispensation therefrom; and such passages in them as may be proposed to him.
- (c) The Book of Common Prayer, its history and contents.
- (d) Doctrines of the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, and Twentieth Articles of Religion.
- (e) Ecclesiastical History of the first six Centuries.
- (f) The English language, unless he is to be licensed to officiate in a foreign language.
- (g) The conduct of the services of the Church and the ministrations of a Deacon.

ii. This examination shall be conducted, at least in part, by written questions and answers, and the replies shall be kept on file for three years.

iii. If the Candidate shall have conformed to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church within two years previous he shall be also examined concerning the points in which he may be supposed to have differed from this Church.

iv. The examination may be adjourned from time to time, at the discretion of the Examiners.

v. The Examiners shall report, in writing, to the Bishop (or to the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee when it is acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority), the result of the examination, whether satisfactory or otherwise, making separate report upon each of the subjects appointed for examination in this Canon, and in the following form, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of
(or the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of
as the case may be).

Place,

Date,

We, Examining Chaplains of the Diocese (or Missionary Jurisdiction) of _____, having been assigned as Examiners of A. B., desiring to be ordered Deacon, hereby certify that we have examined the said A. B. upon the subjects prescribed in Canon 4, Section II. Sensible of our responsibility, we give our judgment as follows:

N. B.—Here specify the proficiency of the Candidate upon each of the subjects appointed, as made apparent by the examinations.

(Signed)

§ III. No one shall be ordered Deacon without having been examined by the Bishop in the presence of two Presbyters.

CANON 5.

OF ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE.

§ I. No one shall be ordered Deacon until he shall be twenty-one years of age.

§ II. No one shall be ordered Deacon within three years from his admission as Candidate for Holy Orders, unless the Bishop, with the

advice and consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee, shall shorten the time of his candidateship; but the time shall not be shortened to less than one year, except in the case of a person who shall have attained the age of thirty years, and shall have had experience in speaking and teaching publicly; and in no case shall the time be shortened to less than six months.

§ III. No one shall be ordered Deacon unless he be first recommended to the Bishop by the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs.

§ IV. In order to be recommended by the Standing Committee for ordination, the Candidate must lay before the Committee:

(a) An application therefor in writing, signed by himself, which shall state the date of his birth.

(b) A certificate from the Bishop by whom he was admitted a Candidate, declaring the date of his admission; but when such certificate cannot be had, other evidence satisfactory to the Committee shall suffice.

(c) A certificate from a Presbyter of this Church, known to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of

Place,

Date,

I hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with A. B., and that I believe him to be well qualified to minister in the office of Deacon to the glory of God and the edification of His Church.

(Signed)

(d) A certificate in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of

Place,

Date,

We do certify, that after due inquiry, we are well assured and believe that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and hath not, since the date of his admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrines, Discipline, or Worship of this Church. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons.

(Signed)

This certificate must be signed by another Presbyter, who shall be a Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and six Laymen, communicants of this Church, in good standing, who must be certified to be such by a Presbyter of this Church.

§ V. The Standing Committee, on the receipt of the certificates prescribed as above, and having reason to believe that all other canonical requirements have been complied with, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient obstacle, physical, mental, moral, doctrinal, or spiritual, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the members consenting, recommend the Candidate for ordination by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of _____, and having been duly convened _____, do testify that A. B., desiring to be ordered Deacon, hath laid before us satisfactory certificates that for the space of three years last past he hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and hath not, since his admission as

a Candidate for Holy Orders, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrines, Discipline, or Worship of this Church; and we hereby recommend him for ordination to the Diaconate.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this day
of in the year of our Lord
(Signed)

This testimonial shall be signed by all consenting to its adoption.

§ VI. This testimonial having been presented to the Bishop, and there being no sufficient objection to the ordination of the Candidate on grounds physical, mental, moral, doctrinal, or spiritual, the Bishop may take order for the ordination; and at the time of the ordination he shall require the Candidate to subscribe and make, in his presence, the following declaration:

“I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.”

CANON 6.

OF THE EXAMINATIONS OF A DEACON DESIRING TO BE ORDERED PRIEST.

§ I. i. The Bishop, or the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, when it is acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall assign to the Deacon desiring to be ordered Priest, as his Examiners, at least two Examining Chaplains of the Diocese or Jurisdiction.

ii. There shall be assigned to every Deacon desiring to be ordered Priest two separate examinations, to be held at such times, and with such adjournments from time to time, as the Examiners may appoint.

iii. Examination at any theological or other literary institution shall not supersede any canonical examination; nor shall any certificate of graduation or diploma be sufficient ground for dispensing with any part of the canonical examinations.

iv. The Bishop may invite the presence and assistance of the Presbyter who is to present the Deacon, and it shall be the privilege of such Presbyter to be present; but no other person, save the Bishop, shall be permitted to be present, without the consent of the Examiners.

§ II. i. The first examination shall be on:

Portions of the New Testament in Greek, previously assigned; Christian Ethics; the Evidences of Natural Religion; Dogmatic Theology. Articles 1, 2, and 8 of the Apostles' Creed, and the corresponding Articles of the Nicene Creed, with Articles I., II., V., IX., X., XIII., and XVII. of the Articles of Religion; Ecclesiastical History from the Seventh to the Thirteenth Century, both inclusive; Ecclesiastical Polity.

ii. The second examination shall be on:

Portions of the Old Testament in Hebrew, previously assigned; the Evidences of Revealed Religion; Dogmatic Theology, the remaining Articles of the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds and the remaining Articles of Religion; Ecclesiastical History from the Fourteenth to the Nineteenth Centuries, both inclusive; Liturgies; Canon Law, and the Constitution and Canons of this Church, with those of the Diocese to which the Deacon belongs.

iii. In cases of dispensation from Greek and Hebrew, or either of them, the examinations in the Holy Scriptures shall not extend to the knowledge of the Bible in the language or languages from which the Deacon has been dispensed.

iv. These examinations shall be conducted, at least, in part by

§ IV. In order to be recommended for ordination by the Standing Committee, the Deacon must lay before the Committee,

(a) An application therefor in writing, signed by himself, which shall state the date of his birth.

(b) A certificate from the Bishop declaring that the term of his candidateship and the time of his service in the Diaconate have been completed; but when such certificate cannot be had, other evidence, satisfactory to the Committee, shall suffice.

(c) A certificate in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of

Place,

Date,

We do certify that after due inquiry we are well assured and believe that the Reverend A. B., Deacon, for the space of three years last past, or since the day of in the year , being the date of his ordination to the Diaconate, hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrines, Discipline, or Worship of this Church. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests.

(Signed)

This certificate must be signed by two Presbyters and six Laymen, communicants of this Church, in good standing, who must be certified to be such by a Presbyter of this Church.

§ V. The Standing Committee, on the receipt of the certificates prescribed as above, and having reason to believe that all other canonical requirements have been complied with, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient obstacle, physical, mental, moral, doctrinal, or spiritual, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the members of the Committee consenting, proceed to recommend the Deacon for ordination by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend

Bishop of

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of and having been duly convened at , do testify that the Reverend A. B., Deacon, desiring to be ordered Priest, hath laid before us satisfactory certificates that for the space of three years last past, or since the day of in the year , being the date of his ordination to the Diaconate, he hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrines, Discipline, or Worship of this Church; and we hereby recommend him for ordination to the Priesthood.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this day of in the year of our Lord

(Signed)

This testimonial shall be signed by all consenting to its adoption.

§ VI. The testimonial above prescribed having been presented to the Bishop, and there being no sufficient objection on grounds physical, mental, moral, doctrinal, or spiritual, the Bishop may take order for the ordination; and at the time of the ordination he shall require him to subscribe and make, in his presence, the following declaration:

“I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.”

§ VII. No Deacon shall be ordered Priest until he is duly appointed to serve in some church, parish, or congregation, or as a Missionary of some Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, or of some Missionary Society

recognized by the General Synod, or as a professor, tutor, or instructor in some college or academy, or other seminary of learning, duly incorporated by law or recognized by the Ecclesiastical Authority, or as a chaplain in the army or navy of the United States.

CANON 8.

OF GENERAL PROVISIONS RESPECTING PREPARATION FOR HOLY ORDERS.

§ I. The Bishop of the Diocese, for the purposes of this and other Canons of Ordination, shall be understood, in cases so requiring, to signify a Bishop Coadjutor, when so empowered under Canon 9, Section II., or a Missionary Bishop, or any other Bishop of this Church canonically in charge of a Diocese, or of a Missionary Jurisdiction, or of congregations in foreign parts.

§ II. i. No certificate or testimonial, the form of which is supplied by Canon, shall be valid, unless it be in the words prescribed; the omission of the date therefrom shall render such certificate or testimonial liable to rejection.

ii. No Postulant, Candidate for Holy Orders, or student of theology shall sign any of the certificates prescribed in the foregoing Canons of Ordination.

§ III. Whenever any dispensation from the requirements of the Canons of Ordination is permitted, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, the application must be first made to the Bishop, and if he approve it, be by him referred to the Committee.

§ IV. If, in the case of any applicant for admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, or for ordination, a majority of the Standing Committee refuse to recommend, although the required certificates have been laid before the Committee, and are in due form, it shall be the duty of the Committee, without delay, to give to the Bishop the reasons, in writing, for such refusal.

§ V. i. No Bishop of this Church shall ordain any person to officiate in any Congregation beyond the limits of the United States until the testimonials and certificates required by the Canons of Ordination shall have been supplied, except as provided for as follows:

ii. Any Missionary Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction in foreign lands, or any Bishop to whom the charge of congregations in foreign lands shall have been assigned by the Primus, may ordain as Deacons or Presbyters, to officiate within the limits of his charge, any persons of the age required by the Canons of this Church, who shall exhibit to him the testimonials required by Canons 5 and 7, signed by not less than two Presbyters of this Church, who may be subject to his charge, and other satisfactory evidence of moral character; *Provided*, nevertheless, that if there be only one Presbyter of this Church subject to his charge, and capable of acting at the time, the signature of a Presbyter in good standing under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church may be admitted to supply the deficiency.

iii. Any Missionary Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction in foreign lands may, by and with the advice of two Presbyters subject to his charge, dispense with the studies required by Canons 4 and 6; *Provided*, that no such person be ordered Deacon until he shall have passed a satisfactory examination, as to his theological learning and aptitude to teach, by the Bishop in the presence of two Presbyters, and shall have been a Candidate for Holy Orders for at least three years; and, *Provided further*, that he be not ordered Priest until he shall have been a Deacon for at least one year. Such Deacon or Priest shall not be allowed to hold any Cure in the Church in the United States until he has

complied with the Canons relating to the learning of persons to be ordained.

§ VI. There shall be appointed in each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction, by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, two or more Presbyters as Examining Chaplains, who shall hold their office at the discretion of the said Ecclesiastical Authority, and who shall examine all Postulants, Candidates for Holy Orders, and Deacons sent to them by the Ecclesiastical Authority.

§ VII. In accordance with Ancient Canons, ordinations shall be held on the Sundays following the Ember Weeks, except that the Bishop may, if he deem proper, for urgent reasons, appoint special ordinations at other times.

§ VIII. No appointment for the ordination of any Candidate shall be made until the Bishop has had due notice that all the canonical requirements have been complied with.

CANON 9.

OF ORDINATION AND CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

§ I. i. Whenever the Church in any Diocese shall desire the ordination and consecration of a Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee thereof shall, by their President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, forward to the Primus evidence of his election, which shall be a certificate of that fact, signed by the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the Convention by which he was elected, and also evidence of his having been duly ordered Deacon and Priest, and a testimonial, signed by a constitutional majority of such Convention, in the following words, viz. :

We, whose names are hereunder written, fully sensible how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the Reverend A. B., Presbyter, is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness of life; and that we do not know or believe that there is any impediment on account of which he ought not to be ordained and consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, of such soundness in the Faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honour of God and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Signed)

The Secretary of such Convention shall certify upon the testimonial that it has been signed by a constitutional majority thereof.

ii. The Primus shall lay the same before the House of Bishops, if in session, or if not in session, shall communicate the same to every Bishop of this Church in the United States, excepting those whose resignations have been accepted; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Primus, without delay, shall inform the Bishop-elect of such consent, and on his acceptance, the Primus shall take order for the ordination and consecration of said Bishop-elect by himself and the two other Bishops whom he may appoint, or by any Bishops, not less than three, to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

§ II. i. When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of age, or other permanent cause, to discharge the duties of his office, one Bishop

Coadjutor may be elected by and for said Diocese, who shall have the right of succession. Before any election of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Bishop of the Diocese shall read, or cause to be read, to the Convention thereof, his written consent to such election, and in such consent he shall state the duties which he thereby assigns to the Bishop Coadjutor, when duly ordained and consecrated, and such consent shall form part of the proceedings of the Convention. In case of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue the aforesaid consent, the Standing Committee of the Diocese may request the Convention to issue such consent, and such request shall be accompanied by certificates of medical men of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue his written consent.

ii. There shall not be more than one Bishop Coadjutor in a Diocese at one time.

iii. In case of application for the ordination and consecration of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee shall forward to the Primus, in addition to the evidence and testimonials required by the preceding Section, a certificate of the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the Convention that every requirement of this Section has been complied with.

§ III. No person shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop unless he shall at the time subscribe, in the presence of the ordaining and consecrating Bishops, the following declaration :

“ I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation ; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.”

CANON 10.

OF THE TRANSLATION OF BISHOPS.

§ I. Any Bishop may be translated from one Jurisdiction to another, *provided* such translation be approved by two-thirds of all the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and *provided further*, that no Diocesan Bishop shall be translated without the consent of his own Diocese, as signified by the Convention thereof, notice of which, certified by the President and Secretary of the said Convention, shall be sent to the Primus before the House of Bishops shall act on the translation.

§ II. Whenever the Convention of any Diocese shall elect a Bishop of this Church, as its Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee thereof shall, by their President or by some person or persons specially appointed, forward to the Primus, and also, if the Bishop-elect be a Diocesan Bishop, to the Convention of his Diocese, evidence of the election, which shall be a certificate of that fact, signed by the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the Convention by which he was elected. Upon the receipt of the certificates required, if the House of Bishops be in session, the Primus shall lay the same before the House, and if the House be not in session, he shall, without delay, communicate the same to every member of the House of Bishops, and at the same time, if it be more than six months before the House of Bishops is to meet, call a meeting of the House to meet not less than ninety days from the date of his summons ; and should there be no quorum present, the House shall adjourn from time to time until a quorum be secured. The Primus shall lay before the House the aforesaid certificates of election and consent, and if two-thirds of all the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops consent to the election, the Primus shall inform the Bishop so elected and the said Standing Committee of such consent.

§ III. If the consents required by this Canon be obtained, the Bishop so elected shall, when his acceptance of the said election and notification thereof to the said Standing Committee have been received, thereupon become the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese so electing him, and shall thereby vacate the Jurisdiction previously held by him; and he shall forthwith give notice of such acceptance to the Primus, the Registrar of the General Synod, and the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Jurisdiction so vacated by him.

CANON 11.

OF MISSIONARY BISHOPS

§ I. The House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, may constitute Missionary Jurisdictions in States or Territories, or parts thereof, not organized into Dioceses, or in territory beyond the United States, not under the charge of Bishops in communion with this Church. It may also, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, from time to time, change, increase, or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Jurisdictions.

§ II. i. The House of Bishops may, from time to time, subject to the approval of the House of Deputies, during the session of the General Synod, or at other times, with the approval of a majority of the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses, choose a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church in Missionary Jurisdictions.

ii. The evidence of such choice shall be a certificate signed by the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the House of Bishops, with a testimonial, or a certified copy thereof, signed by a majority of the Bishops of the House, in the form required in Canon 9, Section I., which shall be sent to the Presiding Officer of the House of Deputies, or to the Secretaries of the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses, if the General Synod be not in session.

iii. Before taking order for the consecration of any such Missionary Bishop-elect, the Primus must receive a certificate signed by the President and Secretary of the House of Deputies, or by the Presidents and Secretaries of a majority of the Standing Committees of the Dioceses, that the election has been approved.

§ III. The House of Bishops shall have power, at their discretion, to transfer a Missionary Bishop from one Jurisdiction to another.

§ IV. In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Jurisdiction from other cause, the charge thereof shall devolve upon the Primus, with the power of appointing some other Bishop of this Church as his substitute in said charge until the vacancy is filled.

§ V. If during the recess of the General Synod, and more than six months previous to its session, any Missionary Bishop of this Church shall die, resign, or be canonically removed, the House of Bishops shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Primus; and thereupon may proceed to elect another to take his place.

CANON 12.

OF BISHOPS FOR FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

Before acting upon an application to ordain and consecrate a Bishop for a Foreign Country, the Bishops shall secure from the person applying for such ordination and consecration evidence of his having been duly

or appointed by an organization lacking the Episcopate, and a Statute which shall satisfy the House of Bishops that a Liturgy is provided for constant use, containing the Creeds, commonly called the Apostles' and the Nicene Creeds, together with Forms for the Administration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, an Ordinal, a Form for the Administration of Confirmation by the Laying on of Hands, and an Order for the constant public reading of the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, in which Liturgy the Faith and Discipline of the Church, as this Church has received them, are clearly set forth. But no such Bishop shall be ordained and consecrated without the approval of a majority of the Bishops duly convened as a House.

CANONS OF REGULATIONS AND DUTIES OF THE MINISTRY.

CANON 13.

OF DUTIES OF BISHOPS.

§ I. It shall be the duty of every Bishop of this Church to reside within the limits of his jurisdiction.

§ II. i. Every Bishop shall visit each Church within his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction at least once in three years, for the purposes of examining its condition, inspecting the behaviour of the Clergy, administering the Laying on of Hands, preaching the Word, and, at his discretion, celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

ii. Every Bishop shall keep a record of his proceedings at his visitations.

iii. Every Diocese shall make provision, in such way as it may deem proper, for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop's visitations.

§ III. Every Bishop shall deliver, at least once in three years, a Charge to the Clergy of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, unless prevented by reasonable cause; and may, from time to time, address to the people of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction Pastoral Letters on points of Christian doctrine, worship, or manners, which he may require his Clergy to read to their congregations.

§ IV. At every Annual Convention or Convocation the Bishop shall make a statement of the affairs of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction since the last meeting of the Convention or Convocation; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as Candidates for Holy Orders, and of those who have been ordained, and of Ministers who have been suspended, deposed, or degraded from the Ministry; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Ministers; and all matters tending to throw light upon the affairs of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction; which statement shall be inserted in the Journal.

§ V. It shall be the duty of a Bishop, whenever leaving his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction for the space of six calendar months, to authorize, by writing, under his hand and seal, the Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof during his absence. The Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee, may become at any time the Ecclesiastical Authority upon the written request of the Bishop, and continue to act as such until the request be revoked by him in writing.

§ VI. i. If a Bishop shall desire to resign his jurisdiction, he shall send in writing to the Primus his resignation, with the reasons therefor.

ii. If the House of Bishops be in session, the Primus shall lay before the House the said communication. If the House of Bishops be not in session, the Primus shall, without delay, send a copy of the communication to every Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, and also to the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction of the Bishop desiring to resign; and he shall at the same time, if it be more than six months before the House of Bishops is to meet, call a meeting

the House, to be held not less than ninety days from the date of his resignation; and should there be no quorum present the House shall adjourn from time to time until a quorum be secured. A quorum being present, the Primus shall lay before the House the said communication, and upon the House shall investigate the whole case, and by a vote of majority of those present, accept or refuse to accept the resignation.

. In all cases of a proposed resignation, the Bishops shall cause the proceedings to be recorded in their Journal; and in case of acceptance, the resignation shall be complete when thus recorded. It shall be the duty of the Primus to pronounce such resignation complete, to communicate the fact to the House of Deputies, if in session, and to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction, who shall cause the same to be communicated to the several pastors in charge of congregations therein.

. A Bishop whose resignation has been accepted may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church, having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, within the limits of his Jurisdiction.

A Bishop who ceases to have Episcopal charge shall still be subject in all matters to the Canons and authority of the General Synod. VII. In the event of the disability of the Primus, or vacancy in the office, the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, presides as its Presiding Officer, shall be substituted for the Primus for all purposes of these Canons.

CANON 14.

OF DUTIES OF MISSIONARY BISHOPS.

I. Missionary Bishops shall exercise jurisdiction in States and Territories, or parts thereof, not organized into Dioceses, or in any Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, beyond the limits of the United States, in conformity with the Constitution and Canons of this Church, under such regulations and instructions, not inconsistent therewith, as the House of Bishops may prescribe.

II. Every Missionary Bishop shall report to each General Synod the proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church within his Missionary Jurisdiction; and, at least once a year, make a report to the Board of Missions.

III. i. Every Missionary Bishop, for the due administration of his jurisdiction shall select the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of this Church, which shall remain in force, as far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction, until it shall be organized into a Diocese, and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

. Every Missionary Bishop shall appoint annually not less than two more than four Presbyters, and an equal number of laymen, communicants of this Church, resident within his Missionary Jurisdiction, to perform the duties of a Standing Committee for such Jurisdiction, except so far as these Canons otherwise provide, who shall continue in office until their successors are appointed. This Standing Committee shall, so far as the circumstances of the Jurisdiction permit, be governed by the Constitution and Canons that have been adopted for such Jurisdiction.

CANON 15.

OF REGULATIONS OF MINISTERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

I. i. The election of Ministers into parishes shall be on this wise: When a parish or congregation becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Churchwardens, or other proper officer, to notify the fact to the

Bishop. The body empowered to elect may, with this notification, seek the counsel of the Bishop as to a suitable person or persons whom they may elect. Upon the receipt of such counsel, or in any case at the expiration of thirty days from the notification, they may elect as their Minister or Rector any duly qualified Minister. Written notice of the election, signed by the Churchwardens, shall be sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

ii. If the Ecclesiastical Authority be satisfied that the person so chosen is a duly qualified Minister, and that he has accepted the office, the notice shall be sent to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it.

iii. If the Minister be a Presbyter, the Bishop may, at the instance of the Vestry, institute him. This provision concerning the use of the Office of Institution shall not apply to any congregation destitute of a consecrated Church or Chapel.

§ II. No Minister, removing from one Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to another, shall officiate as Rector or Minister of any parish or congregation of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof a certificate in the words following:

“I hereby certify that the Reverend A. B. has been canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a Minister in good standing.”

(Signed)

§ III. i. It shall be the duty of Ministers of this Church who have charge of parishes or cures to be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, and from time to time to examine them in the same publicly before the congregation. They shall also, by stated catechetical lectures and instruction, inform the youth and others in the Doctrines, Constitution, History, and Liturgy of the Church. They shall also instruct all in their parishes and cures concerning the missionary work of the Church at home and abroad, and give suitable opportunities for offerings to maintain that work.

ii. The Alms and other offerings for the poor shall be deposited with the Minister of the Parish, to be applied by him to charitable uses at his discretion. During a vacancy the Vestry shall appoint a responsible person to serve as Almoner.

iii. It shall be the duty of Ministers to prepare young persons and others for the Laying on of Hands; and on notice being received from the Bishop of his intention to visit any Church, which notice shall be at least one month before the intended visitation, the Minister shall announce the fact to the Congregation on the first Sunday after the receipt of such notice; and he shall be ready to present for Confirmation such persons as he shall judge to be qualified, and shall publicly deliver to the Bishop a list of the names of those to be confirmed.

iv. At every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Churchwardens, or Vestry, or other officer, to exhibit to the Bishop the Parish Register and to give information to him of the state of the Congregation, spiritual and temporal, under such heads as shall have been previously signified to them in writing by the Bishop.

v. The Ministers and Churchwardens, or other officer, of Congregations which have not been visited in any year, shall bring or send, to the Bishop at the stated meeting of the Convention or Convocation of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, information of the state of the Congregation, under such heads as shall have been signified to them at least one month before the meeting of the Convention or Convocation.

vi. Every Minister having a pastoral charge shall read to his Congregation on some occasion of public worship on a Lord's Day, not later

than one month after the receipt of the same, the Pastoral Letter issued in accordance with the provisions of Canon 43.

§ IV. i. It shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to record in the Parish Register all Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, Burials, and the names of all Communicants within his cure.

ii. The registry of every Marriage shall be signed by the officiating Minister and by at least two witnesses.

iii. Every Minister of this Church shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure, to remain in the parish for the use of his successor.

§ V. i. No Minister of this Church shall have the right to officiate, either by preaching, reading prayers in public worship, or by performing any other priestly, clerical, or ministerial function, in the parish, or within the cure of another Minister, unless he shall have previously received permission for that purpose from the Minister of that parish or cure; or, during his absence or inability, or failure to provide for the stated services of such parish or cure, from one of its churchwardens. But this rule shall not apply to any Church, Chapel, or Oratory, which is part of the premises of an incorporated institution, created by legislative authority; *provided*, that such place of worship is designed and set apart for the convenience and uses of such institution, and not as a place for public or parochial worship.

ii. If any Minister of this Church, from inability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services in his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other duly qualified Minister to officiate within his cure, the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation shall, on proof before the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Jurisdiction of such neglect or refusal, have power, with the written consent of the said Authority, to open the doors of their Church to any duly qualified Minister.

§ VI. i. A Minister of this Church removing into a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction shall, in order to gain canonical residence within the same, present to the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof a testimonial from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he last resided, which testimonial shall set forth his true standing and character. The said testimonial shall be given by the Ecclesiastical Authority to the applicant, and a duplicate thereof may be sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he proposes to remove. The testimony may be in the following words:

"I hereby certify that the Reverend A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the Ecclesiastical Authority of _____ as a Presbyter (or Deacon) of _____ in good standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report, for error in religion, or viciousness of life, for three years last past."

(Signed)

ii. Such testimonial shall be called Letters Dimissory. The canonical residence of the Minister so transferred shall date from the acceptance of his Letters Dimissory, of which prompt notice shall be given both to the applicant and to the Ecclesiastical Authority from which it came. Letters Dimissory not presented within six months from the date of their transmission to the applicant shall become wholly void.

iii. If the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Jurisdiction refuse to accept the Letters Dimissory of a Minister called to take charge of a Parish or Congregation therein, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall, within three months, inform the Minister of the reasons, believed to be well founded, for such action; and if the reasons be proper ground for

canonical inquiry and presentment, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall communicate the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority to whose Jurisdiction the said Minister belongs.

CANON 16.

OF DEACONS.

§ I. Every Deacon shall be subject to the regulation of the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction for which he has been ordained, or, if there be no Bishop, to that of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, acting by their President, until he is canonically transferred to some other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction. He shall officiate in such places only as the Bishop, or the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, as the case may be, may direct.

§ II. No Deacon who shall not have passed the examinations prescribed in Canon 6 shall be transferred to another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction without the written request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the same.

§ III. i. No Deacon shall be Rector of a Parish or Congregation, nor be permitted, except in time of war, to accept a chaplaincy in the Army or Navy.

ii. A Deacon ministering in a Parish or Congregation under the charge of a Presbyter, shall act under the direction of the Presbyter in all his ministrations.

iii. A Deacon ministering in a Parish or Congregation not under the charge of a Presbyter, shall, if not under the immediate direction of the Bishop, be placed under the authority of some neighbouring Presbyter, by whose directions, subordinately to the Bishop, he shall in all things be governed.

CANON 17.

OF MINISTERS ORDAINED IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES BY BISHOPS IN COMMUNION WITH THIS CHURCH.

§ I. i. A Minister claiming to have been ordained beyond the limits of the United States by a foreign Bishop in communion with this Church, or by a Bishop consecrated for a foreign country by Bishops of this Church under Article V. of the Constitution, or by a Missionary Bishop elected to exercise jurisdiction beyond the limits of the United States, shall, before he be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation of this Church, exhibit to the Minister, or, if there be no Minister, to the Vestry thereof, a certificate of recent date signed by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, that his letters of Holy Orders and other credentials are valid and authentic, and given by a Bishop in communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowledged by this Church; and also that he has exhibited to the said Ecclesiastical Authority satisfactory evidence of his moral and godly character, and of his theological acquirements.

ii. And before he shall be permitted to take charge of any Parish or Congregation, or be received into any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Ecclesiastical Authority Letters Dimissory or equivalent credentials under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction he has been last connected, which letters or credentials shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof; and when such Minister shall be so received, the Bishop shall require him to promise in writing to submit himself in all things to the discipline of this Church, without recourse to any foreign jurisdiction, secular or ecclesiastical;

and shall further require him to subscribe and make in his presence, and the presence of two or more Presbyters, the following declaration:

“ I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.”

After which the said Ecclesiastical Authority, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him into the Diocese or Jurisdiction as a Minister of this Church: *provided*, that such Minister shall not be entitled to hold canonical charge in any Parish or Congregation, until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his credentials.

§ II. If such Minister be a Deacon, he shall not be ordered Priest until he shall have resided in the United States at least one year.

CANON 18.

THE ADMISSION OF MINISTERS ORDAINED BY BISHOPS NOT IN COMMUNION WITH THIS CHURCH.

When a Minister ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church shall apply to a Bishop for admission into the same as a Minister thereof, he shall produce a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that, from personal examination, or from satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the communion to which he has belonged has not arisen from any circumstance unfavourable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may not be expedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church; and he shall also, not less than six months after his application, subscribe and make, in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, the following declaration:

“ I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.”

After which the Bishop, being satisfied of his theological acquirements and soundness in the faith, may receive him as a Minister of this Church.

CANON 19.

OF LAY READERS.

§ I. A competent person ready to serve the Church in the public services statedly as a Lay Reader shall procure from the Bishop or Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, a written license. Such license shall not be granted to any but a male communicant of this Church, being of full age, and must be given for a definite period, not longer than two years, but may be renewed from time to time, or revoked at any time. Such license may be given for any vacant Parish, Congregation, or Mission; but where a Presbyter is in charge, his request and recommendation must have been previously signified to the Ecclesiastical Authority. A license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a Congregation without a Minister, which is void and has had reasonable opportunity to secure the services of an ordained Minister. If the Lay Reader be a student in any Theological Seminary, he shall also before acting as such obtain the permission of the Presiding Officer of such Institution.

§ II. A Lay Reader shall be subject to the regulations prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority, and shall not serve in any Diocese other than that in which he is licensed, unless he shall have received license from the Bishop of the Diocese in which he desires to serve.

§ III. In all matters relating to the conduct of the service, and to the Sermons or Homilies to be read, he shall conform to the directions of the Minister in charge of the Parish, Congregation, or Mission in which he is serving, and in all cases to the directions of the Bishop. He shall read only the Morning and Evening Prayer (excepting the Absolution), the Litany, and by special license of the Bishop, the Ten Commandments with the Collects, Epistles, and Gospels. If a Minister be present a Lay Reader shall not, save in case of necessity, read any portion of the public services of the Church other than the Lessons. He shall not deliver sermons of his own composition; but he may act as a catechist in vacant Parishes, Congregations, or Missions, if he be specially licensed thereto by the Bishop. He shall not serve within the Altar rails nor in the pulpit. He may wear a cassock, and, in Churches where the choir is vested, the dress of a chorister, but shall not wear a surplice nor any habit peculiar to the Clergy.

CANON 20.

OF DEACONESSES.

§ I. An unmarried woman of devout character and proved fitness may be appointed Deaconess by any Bishop of this Church.

§ II. The duty of a Deaconess is to assist the Minister in the care of the poor and sick, the religious training of the young and others, and the work of moral reformation.

§ III. No woman shall be appointed Deaconess until she shall be at least twenty-five years of age, nor until she shall have laid before the Bishop testimonials certifying that she is a communicant of this Church, in good standing, and that she possesses such characteristics as, in the judgment of the persons testifying, fit her for at least one of the duties above defined. The testimonial of fitness shall be signed by two Presbyters of this Church, and by twelve lay communicants of the same, six of whom shall be women. The Bishop shall also satisfy himself that the applicant has had an adequate preparation for her work, both technical and religious, which preparation shall have covered the period of two years.

§ IV. No Deaconess shall accept work in a Diocese without the express authority, in writing, of the Bishop of that Diocese; nor shall she undertake work in a Parish without the like authority from the Rector of the Parish.

§ V. When not connected with a Parish the Deaconess shall be under the direct oversight of the Bishop of the Diocese in which she is canonically resident. A Deaconess may be transferred from one Diocese to another by Letters Dimissory.

§ VI. A Deaconess may at any time resign her office to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese in which she is at the time canonically resident; but no Deaconess, having once resigned, shall be reappointed unless there be, in the judgment of the Bishop of the Diocese where she resigned, weighty cause for such reappointment.

§ VII. The Bishop shall have power, for cause, after a hearing granted, to suspend or remove a Deaconess from serving as such.

§ VIII. No woman shall serve as a Deaconess until she has been set apart by an appropriate religious office, to be prescribed by the Bishop.

CANON 21.

OF UNLAWFUL MINISTRATIONS IN THE CONGREGATION.

No person shall be permitted to officiate or serve in any Congregation of this Church, by preaching or by performing any priestly, clerical, or ministerial act, without producing sufficient evidence of his being duly ordained to minister in this Church.

under the direction of the Deputies from the Diocese in which the General Synod is to be held, shall determine by lot the seats to be occupied by each delegation.

vii. At the meetings of the House of Deputies, the Rules and Orders of the previous meeting shall be in force until they are amended or repealed by the House.

viii. Upon formal notice being received, either by the House of Bishops or by the House of Deputies, that a joint session of the two Houses is desired, a day and hour may be named and agreed upon by both Houses. At the time designated the two Houses shall assemble in the place where the House of Deputies holds its sessions, and the Primus or Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops shall take the chair, the President of the House of Deputies being seated beside him, and the other Bishops being seated with the Deputies from their respective Dioceses. The Secretaries of the two Houses shall act as Secretaries of the joint session to report the proceedings to their respective Houses. The proceedings shall be conducted under the Rules of the House of Deputies, as far as applicable, but no vote, either as a test or otherwise, shall be taken in said joint session upon the question under consideration.

§ II. i. The right of calling special meetings of the General Synod shall be in the Bishops. The Primus shall issue the summons for such meetings, designating the time and place thereof, with the consent, or on the requisition, of a majority of the Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

ii. The Deputies elected to the preceding General Synod shall be the Deputies at such special meetings of the General Synod, except in those cases in which other Deputies shall have been chosen in the meantime by any of the Diocesan Conventions, and then such other Deputies shall represent in the special meeting of the General Synod the Church of the Diocese in which they have been chosen.

§ III. i. The House of Deputies, upon the nomination of the House of Bishops, shall elect a Presbyter, to be known as the Registrar of the General Synod, whose duty it shall be to receive all Journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents or articles that are, or shall become, the property of either House of the General Synod; to arrange, label, index, and put them in order, and to provide for the safe keeping of the same in some fire-proof, accessible place of deposit, and to hold the same under such regulations as the General Synod may, from time to time, provide.

ii. It shall also be the duty of the said Registrar to procure a suitable book, and to enter therein the record of the ordinations and consecrations of all the Bishops of this Church, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the consecrating Bishops, and of others present and assisting; to have the same authenticated in the fullest manner practicable; and to take care for the similar record and authentication of all future ordinations and consecrations in this Church. Due notice of the time and place of such ordinations and consecrations shall be given by the Primus to the Registrar; and thereupon it shall be his duty to attend such ordinations and consecrations, either in person or by deputy.

iii. He shall prepare, in such form as the House of Bishops shall prescribe, the letters of ordination and consecration in duplicate; and he shall have the same immediately signed and sealed by the ordaining and consecrating Bishop, and by at least two of the Bishops assisting such ordination and consecration; and he shall deliver to the newly consecrated Bishop one of the said letters, and shall carefully file the other among the papers in his custody, and make a minute thereof in his book of record.

7. The necessary expenses incurred under this section shall be paid by the Treasurer of the General Synod.

8. It shall be the duty of the Secretaries of both Houses, within six months after the adjournment of the General Synod, to deliver to the Registrar the manuscript minutes of the proceedings of both Houses, together with the Journals, files, papers, reports, and all other documents and property of either House. The Secretary of the House of Deputies shall also deliver to the Registrar, when not otherwise expressly stated, all the Journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents filed in Canon 43. The Secretaries shall require the Registrar to give them receipts for the Journals and other papers delivered to him.

IV. At every triennial meeting of the General Synod, a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next stated Synod, until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Synod, and of which the collection and disbursement shall not otherwise be prescribed; to invest, from time to time, such surplus funds as he may have on hand. His accounts shall be rendered triennially to the Synod, and shall be audited by a Committee acting under its authority. In case of a vacancy in the office, the Primus and the last president of the House of Deputies shall appoint a Treasurer, who shall hold office until another appointment be made by the Synod.

V. In order that the contingent expenses of the General Synod may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Synod, at or before any meeting of the General Synod, three dollars for each Minister within such diocese.

CANON 44.

THE MODE OF SECURING AN ACCURATE VIEW OF THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

I. It shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church in charge of a Parish or Congregation, or, if there be no Minister in charge, of the Churchwardens, or other proper officer, to deliver, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Presiding Officer of the Convention, a report of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Burials, and the number of Communicants in the Parish or Congregation; of the condition of the Sunday-schools; of all contributions for parochial purposes, for charities, for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic, or Foreign, or for any purpose whatever; and of other matters that may throw light upon the state of the Parish or Congregation. And every Minister not in charge of a Parish or Congregation shall also report his occasional services; and where there have been none, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same.

And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop may deem proper, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered in the Journal.

II. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to forward to the Secretary of the General Synod, on or before the first day of each regular meeting of the General Synod, the Journals of the Conventions or Convocations of the Diocese or Jurisdiction since the last regular meeting of the General Synod, together with such other papers, including Episcopal Charges, Resolutions, and Pastoral Letters, as may tend to throw light upon the state of the Church in the Diocese or Jurisdiction. It shall also be his duty to prepare, immediately after the adjournment of the Diocesan Convention, or Convocation of a Missionary Jurisdiction, next preceding the regular meeting of every General Synod, a list of the Ministers

§ VI. If the said Board of Inquiry shall determine and certify that there is not sufficient ground to present the accused Bishop for trial, the charges and the certificate of their determination shall be sent by the Primus to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, and be by him deposited in the archives of the House, and a true copy thereof shall be given to the said Bishop.

§ VII. In case the Primus shall be the accuser or the accused, or in the event of a vacancy in the office, the Bishop acting in the place of the Primus, pursuant to the provisions of Section VII. of Canon 13, shall perform the duties devolved upon the Primus by this Canon.

CANON 25.

OF THE TRIAL OF A MINISTER IN A MISSIONARY JURISDICTION.

If any Minister of this Church canonically resident within the Jurisdiction of a Missionary Bishop shall commit any offence within the provisions of Canon 23, such Minister shall be presented and tried according to the mode of trial provided by the Canons of the Province, if the Bishop shall have consented to such mode of trial; if he shall not have consented thereto, then according to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese which the Bishop shall have selected for the administration of his Jurisdiction, so far as the same may be applicable.

CANON 26.

OF A MINISTER IN ANY DIOCESE OR JURISDICTION CHARGEABLE WITH OFFENCE IN ANOTHER.

§ I. If a Minister, belonging to any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, shall have conducted himself in any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in such a way as to be liable to presentment under the provisions of Canon 23, the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof shall give notice of the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority where he is canonically resident, exhibiting, with the information given, reasonable ground for presuming its truth. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, when thus notified, shall omit, for the space of three months, to proceed against the offending Minister, or shall request the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to proceed against him, it shall be within the power of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, within which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to institute proceedings according to the mode provided by the said Diocese or Jurisdiction.

§ II. If a Minister shall come temporarily into any Diocese or Jurisdiction, under the imputation of having elsewhere been guilty of any of the offences within the provisions of Canon 23, or if any Minister, while sojourning in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, shall so offend, the Bishop, upon probable cause, may admonish such Minister, and inhibit him from officiating in said Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction. And if, after such inhibition, the said Minister so officiate, the Bishop shall give notice, to all the Ministers and Congregations in said Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, that the officiating of said Minister is prohibited; and like notice shall be given to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which the said Minister belongs. And such prohibition shall continue in force until the Bishop of the first-named Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction be satisfied of the innocence of the said Minister, or until he be acquitted on trial.

§ III. The provisions of the last section shall apply to Ministers ordained in foreign lands by Bishops in communion with this Church; but in such case notice of the prohibition shall be given to the Bishop from whose Jurisdiction the Minister shall appear to have come, and also to all the Bishops exercising jurisdiction in this Church.

CANON 27.

OF THE DISSOLUTION OF THE PASTORAL RELATION.

§ I. A Rector, canonically or lawfully elected and in charge, may not resign his Parish without the consent of the said Parish, its Vestry, or Trustees, whichever may be authorized to act in the premises, nor may such Rector or Minister be removed therefrom by said Parish, Vestry, or Trustees, against his will, except as hereinafter provided.

§ II. If for any urgent reason a Rector or Minister as aforesaid, or the Parish committed to his charge, its Vestry or Trustees, shall desire a separation and dissolution of the pastoral relation, and the parties be not agreed respecting such separation and dissolution, notice in writing may be given by either party to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction. The Bishop, in case the difference be not settled by his godly judgment, or if he decline to consider the case without counsel, may ask the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and proceeding with its aid and counsel, shall be the ultimate arbiter and judge. If the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction be vacant, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall select one of the neighbouring Bishops to act as the Bishop of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, and with like force and effect. The Judgment shall be either that the pastoral relation between the parties shall cease and determine at a time and upon terms therein specified, or that the said relation shall not be terminated; and it shall be the duty of both parties to submit to and abide by such judgment. In the event of either party refusing to abide by such judgment, the penalty for such refusal and the further proceedings in the case shall be those provided by the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese or Jurisdiction.

§ III. In case of the regular and canonical dissolution of the connection between a Rector or Minister and his Parish, under this Canon, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall direct the Secretary of the Convention to record the same.

§ IV. This Canon shall not apply in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction which has made, or shall hereafter make, provision by Canon upon this subject.

CANON 28.

OF RENUNCIATION OF THE MINISTRY.

§ I. If any Minister of this Church, against whom there is no ecclesiastical proceeding instituted, shall declare, in writing, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs, his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to record the declaration so made; but such record shall not be made until after the expiration of three months from the receipt of such renunciation; and such record having been made, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, of any Bishop who, being requested by the Standing Committee, shall consent to act in the matter, to depose such person from the Ministry; and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more clergymen, that the person so declaring has been deposed from the Ministry of this Church; *Provided*, however,

that if the Bishop shall be satisfied that the person so declaring is not amenable for any canonical offence, and that his renunciation of the Ministry is not for causes affecting his moral character, he shall so declare in pronouncing and recording the said deposition, and shall, if desired, give a certificate to this effect to the person so deposed; and he shall also give due notice of such deposition from the Ministry to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church.

§ II. If the Ecclesiastical Authority shall have reason to believe that the person so declaring has acted hastily and unadvisedly, action on such declaration may be postponed for the space of not more than six months, during which time such person may withdraw his application.

§ III. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, to which such declaration is made, shall have ground to suppose that the person making the same is liable to presentment for any canonical offence, such person may, in the discretion of the said Ecclesiastical Authority, be put upon trial for such offence, notwithstanding such declaration of renunciation of the Ministry.

CANON 29.

OF THE ABANDONMENT OF THE COMMUNION OF THIS CHURCH BY A PRESBYTER OR DEACON.

§ I. If any Minister shall, without availing himself of the provisions of Canon 27, abandon the communion of this Church, by an open renunciation of the Doctrines, Discipline, or Worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, or in any other way, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to certify the fact to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent Diocese, and with such certificate send a statement of the acts or declarations which show such abandonment; which certificate and statement shall be recorded, and shall be taken and deemed by the Ecclesiastical Authority as an equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Minister himself; and the said Bishop may then suspend the said Minister for six months. Notice shall then be given by the said Bishop to the Minister so suspended that, unless he shall within six months transmit to the Bishop a retraction of such acts, or make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry.

§ II. If such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to degrade the said Minister from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, that he has been so degraded.

CANON 30.

OF A MINISTER ABSENTING HIMSELF FROM HIS DIOCESE, OR ABANDONING THE WORK OF THE MINISTRY.

§ I. If a Minister shall have been absent from the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs for one year without having given reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof; or if he shall engage in any secular calling or business without the consent of such Bishop, and shall refuse to engage in the work of the Ministry at the call of his Bishop, coupled with reasonable provision for his support, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, the case being brought to its attention by the written statement of the Bishop, or of any two Presbyters of the same Jurisdiction, to present

vii. The Primus may, from time to time, by written commission under his own signature and seal, assign to any other Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction in the United States, the full charge of one or more of such Congregations, and the Ministers officiating therein, for such period of time as he may deem expedient; *Provided*, that such commission shall not extend to a period longer than three years, and shall then cease and determine unless renewed by the Primus. For the expenses of Episcopal ministrations there shall be paid to the Primus by the Treasurer of the General Synod a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars annually, every such Congregation providing for the Bishop in charge during his official visitation.

viii. To aid the Primus, or the Bishop in charge of Congregations in foreign lands, in administering the affairs of the same, and in settling such questions as may, by reason of their peculiar situation, arise, there shall be a Standing Committee, to consist of communicants of this Church, who shall be chosen as follows:

Each Congregation under the direction of the General Synod shall have the right to choose one layman, and the General Synod shall nominate four persons, of whom two at least shall be Ministers, who shall hold office until the next triennial meeting of the General Synod, or until their successors are chosen; and these and the Ministers of said organized Congregations shall constitute the Standing Committee, with whom the Bishop in charge may meet at his discretion. If the Standing Committee meet in the United States, three of the four members chosen by the General Synod, the Bishop in charge being present, shall constitute a quorum. If the meeting be held in a foreign land, three of the Ministers of said Congregations and two of the lay delegates therefrom, the Bishop in charge being present, or in his absence, one of the said Ministers authorized by him to act in his stead, shall constitute a quorum. This Standing Committee shall be a council of advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall desire their advice; and they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

ix. In case a Minister in charge of a Congregation in a foreign land shall be accused of any offence under the Canons of this Church, it shall be the duty of the Bishop in charge of such Congregation to summon the Standing Committee, and to cause an inquiry to be instituted as to the truth of such accusation; and should there be reasonable grounds for believing the same to be true, the said Bishop, with the Standing Committee, shall appoint a Commission, consisting of three Ministers and two laymen, whose duty it shall be to meet in the place where the accused resides, and to obtain all the evidence in the case from the parties interested; they shall give to the accused all rights under the Canons of this Church which can be exercised in a foreign land. The judgment of the said Commission, solemnly made, shall then be sent to the Bishop in charge, and to the Primus, and, if approved by them, shall be carried into effect; *provided*, that no such Commission shall recommend any other discipline than admonition or removal from his charge as Minister of said Congregation. Should the result of the inquiry of the aforesaid Commission reveal evidence tending, in their judgment, to show that said Minister deserves a severer discipline, all the documents in the case shall be placed in the hands of the Primus, who may proceed against the said Minister, as far as possible, according to the Canons of the General Synod, and the Canons of the Diocese of the Primus.

x. If there be a Congregation within the limits of any city in a foreign land, no new Congregation shall be established in that city, except with the consent of the Bishop in charge, and of the Standing Committee.

CANON 42.

OF THE CONSECRATION OF CHURCHES.

§ I. No Church or Chapel shall be consecrated until the Bishop shall have been sufficiently certified that the building and the ground on which it is erected have been fully paid for, and are free from lien or other incumbrance; and also that such building and ground are secured from the danger of alienation, either in whole or in part, from those who profess and practice the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, except in the cases provided for in Sections II. and III. of this Canon.

§ II. It shall not be lawful for any Vestry, Trustees, or other body authorized by law of any State or Territory, to hold property for any Diocese, Parish, or Congregation, to incumber or alienate any consecrated Church or Chapel, or any Rectory, or Parish House belonging to the Parish or Congregation which they represent, without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

§ III. No Church or Chapel shall be removed, taken down, or otherwise disposed of, for any "worldly, or common use," without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

the entry of final judgment, shall be stayed until the expiration of thirty days from the date of the said entry, unless the right of appeal is waived by the party against whom final judgment is given, and, in case of appeal, until such appeal is determined or dismissed by said House of Bishops.

§ VI. Should the appellant fail to prosecute the appeal before the said House of Bishops at the first session thereof, after the entry of said appeal, the same may be dismissed for want of prosecution. In such case the Secretary of the said House shall immediately give notice of such dismissal to the court from which the said appeal was taken; and the judgment appealed from shall become final.

CANON 35.

OF REGULATIONS RESPECTING THE LAITY.

§ I. A communicant in good standing removing from one Parish to another shall be entitled to and shall procure from the Rector or Minister of the Parish or Congregation of his or her last residence, or, if there be no Rector or Minister, from one of the Churchwardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector or Minister of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to record him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced. Notice of the above record shall be sent to the Rector of the Parish from which the transfer has been made.

§ II. When a person repelled by a Minister from the Holy Communion, under the rubrics of the Office, shall lodge a complaint with the Bishop within three months from the time when he shall have been so repelled, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless he see fit to restore him because of the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the Minister, to institute such an inquiry as may be directed by the Canons of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction; and should no such Canon exist, the Bishop shall proceed according to such principles of law and equity as will ensure an impartial decision.

CANON 36.

OF MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

§ I. No Minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife still living; but this prohibition shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce which a court shall have granted for the cause of adultery, or to parties once divorced from each other seeking to be united again.

§ II. If any Minister of this Church know or have reasonable cause to believe that a person has been married otherwise than as the discipline of this Church doth allow, he shall not minister Holy Baptism or the Holy Communion to such person without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese; *Provided*, however, that no Minister shall, in any case, refuse the Sacraments to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

CANONS OF WORSHIP.

CANON 37.

OF THE STANDARD BIBLE OF THIS CHURCH.

THE Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction is authorized to appoint, from time to time, a suitable person to compare and correct new editions of the Bible by the standard edition recognized by this Church, and a certificate of the Custodian of the Standard Bible that the edition has been so compared and corrected shall be published therewith. Until further order be taken, the Oxford quarto edition of 1852 of the Holy Bible is recognized by this Church as the standard of typography and punctuation.

CANON 38.

OF THE STANDARD BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

§ I. The copy of the Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, according to the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David, the Form of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, and an Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, set forth by the General Convention of this Church, in the year of our Lord 1892, and authenticated by the signatures of the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of General Convention, and by the signatures of the members of the Joint Committee charged with the duty of preparing and submitting to the Convention a Standard Prayer Book, is hereby declared to be the Standard Book of Common Prayer of this Church.

§ II. All copies of the Book of Common Prayer to be hereafter made and published shall conform to this Standard, and shall agree therewith in paging, and, so far as it is possible, in all other matters of typographical arrangement, except that the rubrics may be printed either in red or black. The requirement of uniformity in paging shall apply only to that portion of the book which begins with the Order for the Daily Morning Prayer, and ends with the Psalter, and shall not extend to editions smaller than those known as 24mo, or to editions noted for music.

§ III. In case any typographical inaccuracy shall be found in the Standard Book of Common Prayer, its correction may be ordered by a joint resolution of any General Synod, and notice of such correction shall be communicated by the Custodian to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese of this Church, and to actual publishers of the Book of Common Prayer.

§ IV. Copies of the folio Standard Book of Common Prayer, duly authenticated, as in the case of the Standard Book, shall be sent, when issued, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese or Jurisdiction in trust for the use thereof, and for reference and appeal in questions as to the authorized formularies of this Church.

§ V. No copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer shall be made, printed, published, or used as of authority in this Church, unless it contain the authorization of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, certifying that he or some person appointed by him has compared the said copy or edition with the said Standard, or a certified copy thereof, and that it conforms thereto.

§ VI. The House of Bishops shall nominate a person who, after confirmation by the House of Deputies, shall be appointed the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, and shall have charge of the same. He shall hold office until his successor is appointed, and any vacancy occurring during the recess of the General Synod may be provisionally filled by appointment of the Primus. It shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese or Jurisdiction in which any unauthorized edition of the Book of Common Prayer, or any part or parts thereof, shall be published or circulated, to give public notice that the said edition is not of authority in this Church.

CANON 39.

OF THE USE OF THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

§ I. The Book of Common Prayer, as the same has been established by General Convention, or may be established by the authority of the General Synod, shall be used by every Minister of this Church upon all occasions of public worship for which this Church provides. When officiating in such services he shall use no other prayers than those of the Book of Common Prayer, except such forms of prayer and thanksgiving as may be set forth by the Bishop for special occasions.

§ II. All Ministers shall say daily the Morning and Evening Prayer, either privately or openly, not being let by sickness or other urgent cause.

§ III. The Bishop of every Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction may compose forms of prayer or thanksgiving, as the case may require, for special occasions, and send them to every Minister within his Diocese or Jurisdiction, and it shall be the duty of the Minister to use such forms.

CANON 40.

OF THE DUE CELEBRATION OF SUNDAYS.

All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, by regular participation in the public worship of the Church, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in other acts of devotion and works of charity, using all godly and sober conversation.

CANON 41.

OF THE MUSIC OF THE CHURCH.

It shall be the duty of every Minister to appoint by standing directions from time to time hymns or anthems from those authorized by the rubric to be used in his congregation, and with such assistance as he may see fit to employ from persons skilled in music, to give order concerning the tunes to be sung in his Church. It shall be his especial duty to suppress all light and unseemly music, and all indecency and irreverence in the performance.

CANON 42.

OF THE CONSECRATION OF CHURCHES.

§ I. No Church or Chapel shall be consecrated until the Bishop shall have been sufficiently certified that the building and the ground on which it is erected have been fully paid for, and are free from lien or other incumbrance; and also that such building and ground are secured from the danger of alienation, either in whole or in part, from those who profess and practice the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, except in the cases provided for in Sections II. and III. of this Canon.

§ II. It shall not be lawful for any Vestry, Trustees, or other body authorized by law of any State or Territory, to hold property for any Diocese, Parish, or Congregation, to incumber or alienate any consecrated Church or Chapel, or any Rectory, or Parish House belonging to the Parish or Congregation which they represent, without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

§ III. No Church or Chapel shall be removed, taken down, or otherwise disposed of, for any "worldly, or common use," without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

CANONS OF THE ORGANIZATIONS OF THIS CHURCH.

CANON 43.

OF THE GENERAL SYNOD.

§ I. i. AT the time and place appointed for the meeting of the General Synod, the Secretary of the House of Deputies, or, in his absence, one of the Assistant Secretaries, in the order of their appointment, or, in the absence of all, the person appointed as hereinafter provided by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Synod is to meet, shall call to order the members present, and record the names of those whose testimonials, in due form, shall have been presented to him, which record shall be *prima facie* evidence that the persons whose names are therein recorded are entitled to seats. If there be a quorum present, by the record, the Secretary shall so declare, and the House shall proceed to organize by the election by ballot of a President from the members of the House, and of a Secretary, and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. As soon as a President and Secretary have been elected, a committee shall be appointed to wait upon the House of Bishops, and inform them of the organization of the House of Deputies, and of its readiness to proceed to business.

ii. In order to aid the Secretary in preparing the record specified in the preceding clause, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese to forward to him, as soon as may be practicable, a copy of the latest Journal of the Diocesan Convention, together with a certified copy of the testimonials of members aforesaid. He shall also forward a duplicate copy of such testimonials to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Synod is next to meet.

iii. The Secretary shall keep full minutes of the proceedings of the House; record them, with all reports, in a book provided for that purpose; preserve the Journal and Records of the House; deliver them to the Registrar, as hereinafter provided, and perform such other duties as may be directed by the House. He may, with the approbation of the House, appoint Assistant Secretaries, and the Secretary and Assistant Secretaries shall continue in office until the organization of the next General Synod, and until their successors be chosen. If, during the recess of the General Synod, a vacancy should occur in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretaries; or, if there be none, a Secretary shall be appointed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Synod is next to meet.

iv. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the House of Deputies, whenever any alteration of the Constitution is proposed, or any other subject submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions, to give notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Church in every Diocese.

v. The Secretary of the House of Deputies and the Treasurer of the General Synod shall be entitled to seats upon the floor of the House, and, with the consent of the President, to speak on the subjects of their respective offices.

vi. Previous to any meeting of the General Synod, the Secretary,

under the direction of the Deputies from the Diocese in which the General Synod is to be held, shall determine by lot the seats to be occupied by each delegation.

vii. At the meetings of the House of Deputies, the Rules and Orders of the previous meeting shall be in force until they are amended or repealed by the House.

viii. Upon formal notice being received, either by the House of Bishops or by the House of Deputies, that a joint session of the two Houses is desired, a day and hour may be named and agreed upon by both Houses. At the time designated the two Houses shall assemble in the place where the House of Deputies holds its sessions, and the Primus or Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops shall take the chair, the President of the House of Deputies being seated beside him, and the other Bishops being seated with the Deputies from their respective Dioceses. The Secretaries of the two Houses shall act as Secretaries of the joint session to report the proceedings to their respective Houses. The proceedings shall be conducted under the Rules of the House of Deputies, as far as applicable, but no vote, either as a test or otherwise, shall be taken in said joint session upon the question under consideration.

§ II. i. The right of calling special meetings of the General Synod shall be in the Bishops. The Primus shall issue the summons for such meetings, designating the time and place thereof, with the consent, or on the requisition, of a majority of the Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

ii. The Deputies elected to the preceding General Synod shall be the Deputies at such special meetings of the General Synod, except in those cases in which other Deputies shall have been chosen in the meantime by any of the Diocesan Conventions, and then such other Deputies shall represent in the special meeting of the General Synod the Church of the Diocese in which they have been chosen.

§ III. i. The House of Deputies, upon the nomination of the House of Bishops, shall elect a Presbyter, to be known as the Registrar of the General Synod, whose duty it shall be to receive all Journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents or articles that are, or shall become, the property of either House of the General Synod; to arrange, label, index, and put them in order, and to provide for the safe keeping of the same in some fire-proof, accessible place of deposit, and to hold the same under such regulations as the General Synod may, from time to time, provide.

ii. It shall also be the duty of the said Registrar to procure a suitable book, and to enter therein the record of the ordinations and consecrations of all the Bishops of this Church, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the consecrating Bishops, and of others present and assisting; to have the same authenticated in the fullest manner practicable; and to take care for the similar record and authentication of all future ordinations and consecrations in this Church. Due notice of the time and place of such ordinations and consecrations shall be given by the Primus to the Registrar; and thereupon it shall be his duty to attend such ordinations and consecrations, either in person or by deputy.

iii. He shall prepare, in such form as the House of Bishops shall prescribe, the letters of ordination and consecration in duplicate; and he shall have the same immediately signed and sealed by the ordaining and consecrating Bishop, and by at least two of the Bishops assisting at such ordination and consecration; and he shall deliver to the newly consecrated Bishop one of the said letters, and shall carefully file the other among the papers in his custody, and make a minute thereof in his book of record.

iv. The necessary expenses incurred under this section shall be paid by the Treasurer of the General Synod.

v. It shall be the duty of the Secretaries of both Houses, within six months after the adjournment of the General Synod, to deliver to the Registrar the manuscript minutes of the proceedings of both Houses, together with the Journals, files, papers, reports, and all other documents and property of either House. The Secretary of the House of Deputies shall also deliver to the Registrar, when not otherwise expressly directed, all the Journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents specified in Canon 43. The Secretaries shall require the Registrar to give them receipts for the Journals and other papers delivered to him.

§ IV. At every triennial meeting of the General Synod, a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next stated Synod, and until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Synod, and of which the collection and disbursement shall not otherwise be prescribed; and to invest, from time to time, such surplus funds as he may have on hand. His accounts shall be rendered triennially to the Synod, and shall be audited by a Committee acting under its authority. In case of a vacancy in the office, the Primus and the last president of the House of Deputies shall appoint a Treasurer, who shall hold office until another appointment be made by the Synod.

§ V. In order that the contingent expenses of the General Synod may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Synod, at or before any meeting of the General Synod, three dollars for each Minister within such Diocese.

CANON 44.

OF THE MODE OF SECURING AN ACCURATE VIEW OF THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

§ I. It shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church in charge of a Parish or Congregation, or, if there be no Minister in charge, of the Churchwardens, or other proper officer, to deliver, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Presiding Officer of the Convention, a report of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Burials, and the number of Communicants in the Parish or Congregation; of the condition of the Sunday-schools; of all contributions for parochial purposes, for charities, for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic, or Foreign, or for any purpose whatever; and of other matters that may throw light upon the state of the Parish or Congregation. And every Minister not in charge of any Parish or Congregation shall also report his occasional services; and if there have been none, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop may deem proper, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered in the Journal.

§ II. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to forward to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, on or before the first day of each regular meeting of the General Synod, the Journals of the Conventions or Convocations of the Diocese or Jurisdiction since the last regular meeting of the General Synod, together with such other papers, including Episcopal Charges, Statements, and Pastoral Letters, as may tend to throw light upon the state of the Church in the Diocese or Jurisdiction. It shall also be his duty to prepare, immediately after the adjournment of the Diocesan Convention, or Convocation of a Missionary Jurisdiction, next preceding the regular meeting of every General Synod, a list of the Ministers

canonically resident therein, and of persons who, since the previous regular meeting of the General Synod, have been ordered Deacons or Priests, and of Ministers who have died, and of persons suspended, deposed, or degraded from the Sacred Ministry; and also a condensed report and a tabular review of the state of the Church in the said Diocese or Jurisdiction, comprising a summary of the statistics from the parochial reports and from the Bishop's Statements, specifying, as far as possible, the statistics of all institutions of education or charity in any way connected with the Church within the Diocese, the condition of the ecclesiastical funds, and the amount of contributions within the Diocese or Jurisdiction, together with all contributions received by the Bishop for Church purposes, which he shall forward, together with the Journals and papers before mentioned, to the Secretary of the House of Deputies. The Secretary of the House of Deputies shall, as soon as may be, present these papers to the House, and a Committee shall then be appointed to prepare and present to the House a report on the state of the Church, which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with the request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church.

CANON 45.

OF PROVINCES.

§ I. The Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions of this Church are hereby united into Provinces as follows:

§ II. The Bishops in each Province shall, within three months after the adoption of this Canon, elect one of their number to be Primate.

§ III. The Convention of each Diocese in this Church may, at its first session to be held after the enactment of this Canon, elect five Presbyters canonically resident in the Diocese, and five Laymen, communicants of this Church, and having domicile in the Diocese, to be delegates to a Provisional Synod of the Province; and the delegates so chosen, together with the Bishops of the Province, shall constitute the said Provisional Synod.

§ IV. The Primate of every Province, or, in the case of his death or disability, the senior Bishop thereof, shall summon such Provisional Synod to meet at some convenient place in the Province, within three months.

§ V. The said Provisional Synod may enact statutes for the organization of the Provincial Synod, and for the exercise by it of legislative powers, not inconsistent with the constitutional powers of the General Synod, for the common interests of the Church within the Province, and for a uniform mode of trial of Presbyters and Deacons. No statute so enacted shall have force or validity in any Diocese unless ratified by such Diocese, or in any Missionary Jurisdiction unless assented to by the Bishop; and no enactment of the Provincial Synod shall be of force in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction which has not entered into union with the Provincial Synod.

CANON 46.

OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

In every Diocese the Standing Committee shall elect from their own body a President and a Secretary. They may meet in conformity with their own rules from time to time, and shall keep a record of their proceedings; and the President may summon a special meeting whenever he

may deem it necessary. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop whenever he shall wish for their advice; and they may meet of their own accord and agreeably to their own rules whenever they may be disposed to advise him.

CANON 47.

OF NEW DIOCESES.

§ I. Whenever a new Diocese shall be formed within the limits of any Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, or in a Missionary Jurisdiction, and the same shall have been ratified by the General Synod, the Bishop of the Diocese or Jurisdiction within the limits of which a Diocese is formed, or in case of the junction of two or more Dioceses or Jurisdictions, or parts of Dioceses or Jurisdictions, the senior Bishop by consecration shall thereupon call the Primary Convention of the new Diocese, for the purpose of enabling it to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

§ II. In case there should be no Bishop who can call such Primary Convention, pursuant to the foregoing provisions, then the duty of calling such Convention for the purpose of organizing, and of fixing the time and place of its meeting, shall be vested in the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction within the limits of which the new one is erected, or the Standing Committee of the oldest of the Dioceses or Jurisdictions by the junction of which, or of parts of which, the new Diocese may be formed. And such Standing Committee shall make the call immediately after the ratification thereof by the General Synod.

§ III. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses, the Convention of such Diocese shall declare which portion thereof is to be the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the General Synod before the ratification of such division.

§ IV. Whenever the formation of a new Diocese shall be ratified by the General Synod, such new Diocese shall be considered as admitted under Article VII. of the Constitution, as soon as it shall have organized in Primary Convention, in the manner prescribed in the previous sections of this Canon, and shall have acceded to the Constitution. The naming of the new Diocese shall be part of its organization.

CANON 48.

OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS.

§ I. Every Congregation of this Church shall belong to the Church in the Diocese or Jurisdiction in which its place of worship is situated. And no Minister having a Parish or Cure in more than one Jurisdiction shall have a seat in the Convention of any Jurisdiction other than that in which he has canonical residence.

§ II. i. The ascertainment and defining of the boundaries of existing Parishes or parochial Cures, as well as the establishment of a new Parish or Congregation, and the formation of a new Parish within the limits of any other Parish, is left to the action of the several Diocesan Conventions.

ii. Until a Canon or other regulation of a Diocesan Convention shall have been adopted, the formation of new Parishes, or the establishment of new Parishes or Congregations within the limits of existing Parishes, shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee thereof, and in case of there being no Bishop in the Ecclesiastical Authority.

§ III. i. Where Parish boundaries are not defined by law, or settled by Diocesan Authority under Section II. of this Canon, or are not otherwise settled, they shall, for the purposes of this section, be defined by the civil divisions of the State, as follows:

Parochial boundaries shall be the limits as now fixed by law, of a village, town, township, incorporated borough, city, or of some division of any such civil district, which may have been recognized by the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, as constituting the boundaries of a Parish.

ii. If there be but one Church or Congregation within the limits of such village, town, township, borough, city, or such division of a civil district, as herein provided, the same shall be deemed the parochial Cure of the Minister having charge thereof. If there be two or more Churches or Congregations therein, it shall be deemed the Cure of the Ministers thereof.

iii. This Canon shall not affect the legal rights of property of any Parish or Congregation.

§ IV. i. It shall be lawful, under the conditions hereinafter stated, to organize a Congregation in any foreign land, other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the colonies and dependencies thereof, and not within the jurisdiction of any Missionary Bishop of this Church.

ii. The Bishop in charge of such Congregations may authorize any Presbyter of this Church to officiate temporarily at any place to be named by him within any such foreign land, upon being satisfied that it is expedient to establish at such place a congregation of this Church.

iii. Such Presbyter, after having publicly officiated at such place on four consecutive Sundays, may nominate to the Bishop in charge suitable persons who may be appointed by him to act as warden, clerk, and treasurer of the Congregation, until such time as the Congregation be organized. At any period not less than six months thereafter, with the consent of the Bishop in charge, notice may be given, in the time of Divine Service, that a meeting of the male persons of full age belonging to this Church, and attending the services, will be held, at a time and place to be named by him, to organize the Congregation. The said meeting may proceed to effect an organization, subject to the approval of the said Bishop and the Standing Committee, hereinafter provided for, and in conformity with such regulations as the said Standing Committee may prescribe.

iv. Before being taken under the direction of the General Synod of this Church, such Congregation shall be required, in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and to agree to submit to and obey such directions as may be, from time to time, received from the Bishop in charge.

v. The desire of such Congregation to be taken under the direction of the General Synod shall be duly certified by the Minister, one Churchwarden, and two Vestrymen or Trustees of said Congregation, duly elected at its meeting for organization.

vi. Such certificate, and the Constitution, Plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Synod if it be in session, or to the Primus at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Synod, under written instruction from the Primus, shall thereupon place the name of the Congregation on the list of Congregations in foreign lands under the direction of the General Synod; and a certificate of the said official action shall be forwarded to and filed by the Registrar of this Church. Such Congregations are placed under the government and jurisdiction of the Primus.

vii. The Primus may, from time to time, by written commission under his own signature and seal, assign to any other Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction in the United States, the full charge of one or more of such Congregations, and the Ministers officiating therein, for such period of time as he may deem expedient; *Provided*, that such commission shall not extend to a period longer than three years, and shall then cease and determine unless renewed by the Primus. For the expenses of Episcopal ministrations there shall be paid to the Primus by the Treasurer of the General Synod a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars annually, every such Congregation providing for the Bishop in charge during his official visitation.

viii. To aid the Primus, or the Bishop in charge of Congregations in foreign lands, in administering the affairs of the same, and in settling such questions as may, by reason of their peculiar situation, arise, there shall be a Standing Committee, to consist of communicants of this Church, who shall be chosen as follows:

Each Congregation under the direction of the General Synod shall have the right to choose one layman, and the General Synod shall nominate four persons, of whom two at least shall be Ministers, who shall hold office until the next triennial meeting of the General Synod, or until their successors are chosen; and these and the Ministers of said organized Congregations shall constitute the Standing Committee, with whom the Bishop in charge may meet at his discretion. If the Standing Committee meet in the United States, three of the four members chosen by the General Synod, the Bishop in charge being present, shall constitute a quorum. If the meeting be held in a foreign land, three of the Ministers of said Congregations and two of the lay delegates therefrom, the Bishop in charge being present, or in his absence, one of the said Ministers authorized by him to act in his stead, shall constitute a quorum. This Standing Committee shall be a council of advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall desire their advice; and they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

ix. In case a Minister in charge of a Congregation in a foreign land shall be accused of any offence under the Canons of this Church, it shall be the duty of the Bishop in charge of such Congregation to summon the Standing Committee, and to cause an inquiry to be instituted as to the truth of such accusation; and should there be reasonable grounds for believing the same to be true, the said Bishop, with the Standing Committee, shall appoint a Commission, consisting of three Ministers and two laymen, whose duty it shall be to meet in the place where the accused resides, and to obtain all the evidence in the case from the parties interested; they shall give to the accused all rights under the Canons of this Church which can be exercised in a foreign land. The judgment of the said Commission, solemnly made, shall then be sent to the Bishop in charge, and to the Primus, and, if approved by them, shall be carried into effect; *provided*, that no such Commission shall recommend any other discipline than admonition or removal from his charge as Minister of said Congregation. Should the result of the inquiry of the aforesaid Commission reveal evidence tending, in their judgment, to show that said Minister deserves a severer discipline, all the documents in the case shall be placed in the hands of the Primus, who may proceed against the said Minister, as far as possible, according to the Canons of the General Synod, and the Canons of the Diocese of the Primus.

x. If there be a Congregation within the limits of any city in a foreign land, no new Congregation shall be established in that city, except with the consent of the Bishop in charge, and of the Standing Committee.

xi. In cases of a difference between the Minister and a Congregation in a foreign land, the Bishop in charge shall, with the Standing Committee, duly examine the same, and the said Bishop and Standing Committee shall have full power to settle and adjust such difference upon principles recognized in the Canons of the General Synod.

xii. No Minister shall be allowed to take charge of a Congregation in a foreign land, organized under this Canon, until he shall have been nominated by the Vestry thereof, or, if there be no Vestry, by the Standing Committee, and approved by the Bishop in charge; and when such appointment shall have been accepted by the Minister so appointed, he shall be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Primus.

CANON 49.

OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The Constitution of the said Society, which was incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, is hereby amended and established so as to read as follows:

CONSTITUTION OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AS ESTABLISHED IN 1820, AND SINCE AMENDED AT VARIOUS TIMES.

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be known as "The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

ART. II. This Society shall be considered as comprehending all persons who are members of this Church.

ART. III. There shall be a Board of Missions of such Society, composed of the Bishops of this Church, the Deputies for the time being to the General Synod, and the members of the Board of Managers, as hereinafter described. The Delegates to the House of Deputies from the Missionary Jurisdictions shall have the right to seats without the right to vote. The Board of Missions thus constituted shall convene on the third day of the meeting of the General Synod, in the place where the House of Deputies holds its sessions, and shall elect a Chairman by a vote of a majority of the members present, and shall sit from time to time as the business of the Board shall demand. The Board shall deliberate as one body under rules of order to be provided by the Board, the members of the House of Bishops, other than the Chairman, being seated with the Deputies from their respective Dioceses. When demanded by any five members, the vote shall be taken by orders, and a majority of the Bishops, and of the Clerical members, and of the Lay members, shall concur to insure action.

ART. IV. There shall be a Missionary Council of this Church. It shall comprise all the Bishops of this Church, all the members of the Board of Managers, such other Ministers or Laymen as may be selected by the General Synod at its triennial meetings, and, in addition thereto, one Presbyter and one Layman from each Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, to be chosen by the Convention, or Convocation, of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction. This Council, so formed, shall meet annually, except in those years appointed for the meeting of the Board of Missions, at such time and place as may be designated by the Board of Managers, with the approval of the Primus, to consider the missionary work of the Church, and to increase interest in the same. If a presbyter or layman elected by any Convention or Convocation shall die, resign, or

ve from the Diocese or Jurisdiction between the meetings of the Convention or Convocation, it shall be competent for the Bishop of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to appoint a substitute, to hold office until the election of a successor by the Convention or Convocation.

There shall also be elected, at each triennial meeting of the Board of Missions, a Board of Managers, comprising the Primus as President, and other Bishops, ten Presbyters, and ten Laymen, who shall have the management of the general missions of this Church, and when the Board of Missions is not in session, shall exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. They shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and they shall have the power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number.

All other Bishops of this Church, and the Secretary and Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and of the Board of Managers, shall be *ex officio* members of the Board, and have all the rights and privileges of the elected members, except the right to vote.

Whenever demanded by three of the members present, an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary to any act of the Board. Fifteen members, of whom two must be Bishops, shall constitute a quorum.

The Board of Managers shall make a full and complete triennial report to the Board of Missions at each triennial meeting, and a similar report to the Missionary Council at each annual meeting, comprising such an account of the missionary work prosecuted during the preceding year as will serve to give a comprehensive view of the progress, prospects, and present condition of the work of the Society in the several parts of the Domestic and Foreign fields.

There shall be appointed at each meeting of the Board of Missions and the Missionary Council, a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Society, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of work for the ensuing meeting of the Board, or of the Missionary Council.

ART. V. The Board of Managers is authorized to form such committees as it may deem desirable to promote the missionary work, and to appoint such officers as shall be needful for carrying on such work, and to enact all By-laws for its own government and the government of its committees and officers.

ART. VI. The Board of Managers is entrusted with power to establish and regulate such missions as are not placed under Episcopal supervision.

In all organized Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions within the United States having Bishops, it is authorized to make annual appropriations to be disbursed by the Bishops, with the approval of the Standing Committee or the Board of Missions of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, or of the Board of Managers, if any of the said Bishops shall so elect. No part of the annual appropriations shall be expended for any other purpose than the support of Missionaries, or the supply of mission stations with spiritual service, without the concurrence of the Board of Managers; and an itemized account of the expenditure of all appropriations shall be rendered annually by each Bishop to the President of the Board of Managers. In the management of Missions beyond the United States, the Bishops shall have, as their council of advice for the general schedule of expenditures, the Board of Managers; but for the details of the local management, they may act with the approval of the Standing Committees of the respective Jurisdictions.

ART. VII. The salary of a Missionary Bishop shall be fixed at or before the time of his election, to take effect from the date of his installation, and shall not be diminished during his official relation to

the Board of Missions without his consent. All contributions by the Missionary Jurisdictions for the support of their Bishops shall be reported to the Board of Managers, and accounted for as part of such salary.

Whenever the Board shall be satisfied of the ability of a Missionary Jurisdiction to support its Bishop with a salary not less than that provided for at his consecration, the Board of Missions shall no longer be required to pay his salary.

ART. VIII. No person shall be appointed a Missionary who is not at the time a Minister in good standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with this Church; but nothing in this Article shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing laymen or women, members of this Church, or of some Church in communion with the same, to do Missionary work.

ART. IX. The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint local agents to represent the Society in different parts of the country, and is authorized to promote the formation of auxiliary Missionary Associations, whose contributions, as well as those specially appropriated by individuals, shall be received and paid in accordance with the wish of the donors, when expressed in writing. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to arrange for public Missionary meetings, to be held at such times and places as may be determined upon to which all auxiliaries approved by the Board of Managers may send representatives.

ART. X. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time by the General Synod of this Church.

CANON 50.

OF GENERAL CLERGY RELIEF.

§ I. The General Synod at each triennial meeting shall elect, on the nomination of a Joint Committee thereof, fifteen persons to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, instituted by the General Convention in 1853, and incorporated in Chapter 459 of the Laws of the State of New York in 1855. Said Trustees shall hold office until the succeeding General Synod, or until their successors shall be elected, and shall have power to fill vacancies in their own Board, and to appoint officers and agents.

§ II. i. The widow of any deceased Clergyman, remaining unmarried, the children of any deceased Clergyman until they have reached the age of twenty-one years, unless they shall have married before that age, and any Clergyman permanently disabled, or having reached the age of sixty-four years, shall be entitled, in the discretion of the Trustees, to share in the benefits of this Fund.

ii. All applications to the Trustees shall have the written recommendation of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which the applicant may belong.

§ III. The resources of the Fund shall be from such royalties as shall be established by the General Synod, from offerings in Parishes or Congregations, and from such other voluntary gifts and legacies as may be received.

§ IV. The Trustees shall publish a report on the first of September in each year, showing a complete list of all contributions to the Fund within the year past, and shall cause a copy of such report to be sent to every Bishop and Clergyman of this Church.

§ V. Contributors to the Fund shall have the right to designate how their contributions shall be applied, and the Bishop of any Diocese or Jurisdiction may direct how the contributions of congregations in his Diocese or Jurisdiction so reported, the use of which has not been designated, shall be applied.

§ VI. The Trustees may enter into relations with all kindred funds and societies in the Church, and, so far as may be practicable, secure their co-operation, to the end that there may be a complete record of all Clergy Relief in the Church, and that such relief may be distributed wisely, equitably, and efficiently.

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§ I. The General Synod shall at each triennial meeting, on the nomination of a Joint Committee, appoint fifteen persons, of whom the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book shall be one, to constitute a Board of Trustees of a Society to be entitled "The Prayer Book Distribution Society."

§ II. The object of this Society shall be to promote the distribution of the Book of Common Prayer among the people throughout the United States of America.

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§ II. The Committee on Canons of each House of the General Synod shall, at the close of each regular meeting of the General Synod, appoint two of their number to certify the changes, if any, made in the Canons, including a correction of the references made in any canon to another, and to report the same, with the proper arrangement thereof, to the Secretary, who shall print the same in the Journal.

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All Canons hereafter enacted, unless otherwise specially ordered, shall take effect on the first day of January following the adjournment of the General Synod at which they were made.

CANON 55.

OF THE TIME OF THESE CANONS TAKING EFFECT.

These Canons shall take effect on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord ; from and after which day all other Canons of this Church are hereby and shall be deemed to be, repealed; *provided*, that such repeal shall not affect any case of a violation of existing Canons committed before that date; but such case shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON ARCHIVES.

THE preservation of the documentary material of the history of the American Church was first undertaken by the venerable William White. It was in his youth that by the publication of "The case of the Episcopal Churches Considered" the fundamental principles of the Church's autonomy and organization as a branch of the Church Catholic of Christ, independent of the Mother Church of England, were first enunciated. It was he who presided over the first ecclesiastical assembly of the Church of all time numbering laymen as well as the Clergy in its numbers, and according to them the position and privileges they have ever since maintained in our councils. It was in correspondence with the Rev. Dr. Beach of New Jersey, that William White initiated the measures resulting in the assembling of the "primary" Convention of October, 1784, and the organization of the General Convention of the Churches in the Middle and Southern States. It was this ecclesiastical statesman on whose head were first laid the consecrating hands of the English Archbishops and Bishops in communicating the apostolical succession in the English line. It was to Bishop White's conciliatory spirit and freedom from partisanship or prejudice that the union of New England Churches, with the apostolic Seabury at their head, with their fellow Churchmen to the southward is largely due. It was the privilege of this great and good Bishop, during nearly a half century, to preside not only over his own See with unexampled dignity and acceptance, but over the destinies of the American Church slowly rising from the depression and desolations of the war.

With these opportunities for the acquisition of documents and papers relating to our ecclesiastical history during a ministerial life of more than three-score years, Bishop White laid aside for reference and preservation the data of our Church's annals. Making use of his collections in his most valuable "Memoirs of the Church," first published in 1821 and then issued under the editorship of the Rev. Francis Lister Hawks, D.D., LL.D., with very material additions, in 1836, the Bishop placed the hands of Dr. Hawks the major and more important part of his lifetime's collections.

The Appendix to the Journal of 1823 contains a report of a Joint Committee appointed by the preceding Convention (1820) to make a collection of the Journals of the General and Diocesan Conventions, and of other documents connected with the history of the Church in the United States. This report is signed by William White, George Boyd, and Jackson Kemper. It is announced that the collections gathered "almost entirely" by Bishop White were deposited in the Library of St. James's Church, Philadelphia, under the care of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania. Among these collections there is a manuscript of the first meetings of committees for organizing the Church. This manuscript was endorsed as follows:

I deposit this with the Committee of the General Convention for collecting Journals: it being the original record of the first steps taken for the organizing of the Episcopal Church throughout the Union.

WILLIAM WHITE.

OCT. 30, 1822.

A collection in writing from the records of the office of the Bishop of London, relative to the Church in this country, endorsed as follows:

This manuscript was copied from the records of the office of the Bishop of London, by the Rev. Alexander Murray, who had been Missionary in Pennsylvania before the Revolution. He went to England during the war. When measures began to be taken for the organizing of the Episcopal Church, he began a correspondence with me, and transmitted some information which was important, and had an effect on the proceedings of the General Convention of 1785. On my arrival in England with Bishop Provost, in the latter end of 1786, Dr. Murray communicated to us, that he had been making such transcripts as the following; but we held them irrelevant to the situation in which we were, and did not ask for a perusal of them. Within a year or two after our return to America, he returned also, and took up his residence in Philadelphia, where he died in the Yellow Fever of 1793. Before his decease he gave me this transcript. And I lay it by, among papers relative to the Church, not knowing how far it may hereafter be a document gratifying to curiosity.

WILLIAM WHITE.

JUNE 25th, 1810.

OCT. 30th, 1821. I deposit this manuscript with the Committee appointed at the last General Convention for the collecting of Journals.

WILLIAM WHITE.

A volume containing Journals of the General Convention from the year 1785 to 1814 inclusive to which are added the Pastoral Letters from the House of Bishops for the years 1808, 1811, 1814. On the first page of this volume the following statement is written:

This volume is the only entire collection, within my knowledge, of the original Journals of the General Convention, from the beginning, for the space of thirty years. It may be of use in determining on any questions which may arise concerning any particular of the republication of the Journals by John Bioren. Accordingly, I deposited with the Committee appointed by the last General Convention, for the collection of Journals. I also deposit with the Committee my collection of Journals of the Conventions in the different States; comprehending, I believe, almost all which have been edited. Those for several of the States are entire.

OCT. 30th, 1821.

WILLIAM WHITE.

The Journals of Conventions here recorded are as follows:

Massachusetts, 1790. Constitution and Canons published in 1817.

Connecticut, 1802, 1803, 1808–1821 inclusive. Constitution, 1821. Bishop Brownell's charge, 1821.

New York, 1785–1791 inclusive; 1801–1812 inclusive; 1814–1816 inclusive: 1818, 1820, 1821, 1822. Constitution and Canons, 1812.

New Jersey, 1785–1798 inclusive; 1800–1822 inclusive. Address to Convention, 1797. Constitution, Canons, etc., 1811. Report on the State of the Church 1814. Charge of Bishop, 1819.

Pennsylvania, 1785–1822 inclusive. Constitution and Canons, 1822.

Delaware, 1791 (the first)–1794 inclusive; 1798–1800 inclusive; 1810, 1818, 1821.

Maryland, 1784, 1788-1800 inclusive; 1802-1804 inclusive; 1806-1819 inclusive; 1821. Address from the Convention to the vestries in 1794. Constitution and Canons, 1802. Bishop's Kemp's address, 1816. Pastoral Letter from Bishops Claggett and Kemp. Address from a Committee, 1817.

Virginia, 1785-1787 inclusive; 1789, 1791, 1792, 1794. 1813. Special Convention, 1814, 1816, 1818, 1819. Bishop Madison's Convention address. North Carolina, complete from first Journal, 1817.

North Carolina, manuscript Constitution without date. Journals 1818-1822.

io, 1818 (first Journals), 1819, 1820.

There is added to this List of Journals a further List of "documents obtained." We need not subjoin this list as indicating the Journals that time supposed to be attainable, as in nearly every instance the missing issues have been subsequently obtained. The Committee closed their report with an appeal for Journals, Pastorals, Charges, Convention sermons, Reports of Societies, Church pamphlets, and the reports of the Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

It is an interesting fact, in connection with the gift to the Church of original editions of its Journals for thirty years with the autograph correction of Bishop White, that this volume was not only made use of for the correction of the proofs of what is known as the Bioren Reprint of the early Journals (1785-1814) by Bishop White, but was also used in the preparation of Perry's Reprint (1785-1835) and was accepted by both Houses of Convention, in the absence of manuscript, as authority for the change of the conjunctive "and" between the words "Clerical" and "Lay" in Article 2 of the Constitution to the disjunctive "or" as printed in the original edition of 1789. It was ascertained that the word "or" was uniformly used in this connection until the year 1808, when, through inadvertence or by typographical error, this change was made. The Convention of 1871 directed the Secretary of the House of Deputies, charged with the publication of the official papers of the Church, to make the change so that future issues of the Constitution should conform to the original Journal of 1789.

In 1835 the Rev. Francis Lister Hawks, D.D., LL.D., memorialized the Houses of Convention with reference to the collection of the material for the Church's history. He had begun with the active co-operation of the Rev. Edward Rutledge, of South Carolina, an effort for the gathering and preservation of these even then rapidly disappearing pamphlets and papers which related to the story of the American Church. After many years of labour in the midst of which the Rev. Mr. Rutledge died, Dr. Hawks having secured a wide reputation as a successful and even brilliant writer on general ecclesiastical history, Dr. Hawks prayed the General Convention for the appointment of (a) "a collector and conservator of all books, pamphlets, documents, manuscripts, etc., which are connected with or throw light upon the proceedings of the Church in any part of our country, either in past or present times"; and (b) authorizing this conservator "to ask "in the name of the Church at large" for contributions of books, documents, etc., as would further the objects of the Church in this appointment. In this connection attention was called to the large mass of materials for our colonial Church history," preserved in the libraries of "the Archbishop's palace at Lambeth, the office of the venerable Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts, as well as in some other institutions in London of less note," known to contain valuable documents illustrative of our early history. The plan, submitted, further advised the deposit of these books, documents, etc.,

In the Library of the General Theological Seminary, under the care of the conservator, and it announced the gift of between seventy and eighty volumes of Church periodicals and newspapers, which, although long since scattered, no one can tell where, are interesting as indicating the value of this collection at its start :

The Churchman's Magazine, — the three series, 15 vols.

The Christian Journal, 14 vols.

The Charleston Gospel Messenger, 7 vols.

The Gospel Advocate, 5 vols.

The Episcopal Magazine, 2 vols.

The Episcopal Watchman, 5 vols.

The Gambier Observer, 4 vols.

The Episcopal Recorder, 12 vols.

The Churchman, 4 vols.

The Banner of the Church, 1 vol.

The Protestant Episcopalian, 4 vols.

The Church Register, 4 vols.

The Southern Churchman, from its commencement.

It is deeply to be regretted that the words of Dr. Hawks in this connection did not receive the attention they so well deserved. "There is little doubt that the Church might, with but little effort, procure perfect sets of every periodical which has been published in this country by members of our Communion, and experience enables the writer to add, that in many instances they would be found to furnish valuable material to him who is engaged in ecclesiastical research."

Twenty bound volumes of Journals were also included in Dr. Hawks' gift. These have also disappeared. There were also twenty volumes of manuscript letters and papers of deceased Bishops and others prominent in the early days of the Church in this country.

It will be borne in mind in connection with this list of books and manuscripts that Dr. Hawks, in view of the historical publications he had then in hand, coupled with the announcement of his gifts, the condition that he "is obliged to withhold its immediate delivery." There was added the pledge that "the books, however, shall be carefully preserved, and provision made for their ultimate coming into the possession of the Church."

This communication was received by the Committee of the Convention, of which Bishop William Meade was the Chairman, with every expression of interest and gratitude. The Committee recommended application to the authorities in England for permission to copy the manuscript in England relating to American Church affairs. The Convention agreed to the terms of the gift, as given above, and appointed Dr. Hawks as the Conservator of the documents in question.

In the Conservator's Report to the General Convention of 1838, mention was made of additional collections, the very titles of which attest the energy of the Conservator, and the great value and interest of the historical material he had acquired. There had been added to the books, pamphlets and manuscripts, obtained from the families of deceased Bishops and leading clergy, while the eighteen folio volumes of manuscript transcripts from the archives at Lambeth, Fulham, and the venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, made the collection rich both in printed matter and in unpublished manuscripts. The charges for the copying and binding of these transcripts was largely borne by the Corporation of Trinity Church, New York, which added liberally to the personal gifts of the Rev. Dr. Hawks. The correspondence attending the acquisition of these volumes, as given in the Appendix to the Journal of the General Convention of 1838, is full of

interest, and one cannot but recognize the truth of the Conservator's statement, that at length, and largely through the pious forethought of Bishop White, and the earnest effort of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, "the Convention has now a very valuable library of materials for our Ecclesiastical History." That the Church to-day, after the lapse of half a century, during which time these data of our history have been exposed again and again to danger and loss, possesses so much of the material gathered by Bishop White and Dr. Hawks, is a matter of profound gratitude to Him Who would have us "remember the years of the right Hand of God."

The Conservator had not been idle in making use of the historical authorities he had gathered. The contributions to the History of the Church in Virginia and in Maryland, and the almost priceless volume on "The Constitution and Canons," are the results of Dr. Hawks' untiring energy in gathering data, and of his skill in weaving his material into charming narratives and authoritative history. Subsequent events interrupted the continuance of an historical work which would else have given to us, from a scholar of unquestioned ability, and a writer of unusual taste, the story of our ecclesiastical annals from the earliest days of discovery and settlement down to modern days. As it was, in 1859, the General Convention associated with the Rev. Dr. Hawks the present Secretary of the Commission on Archives, in an effort to add to a reprint of our early legislation—1785–1835—with illustrative and historical notes, giving the documentary history of the Church, gathered from the manuscripts and volumes in the Conservator's hands. This reprint, which resulted in the issue of a single volume at the very opening of the Civil War, and a number of years later, and only after the decease of the Rev. Dr. Hawks reached completion in a publication of three volumes, octavo, the third volume containing the notes and papers referred to, is now rapidly becoming as rare as the "Bioren" reprint of 1817, edited by Bishop White, which is scarcely less difficult to obtain than the original editions themselves.

As has been intimated, the historical collections were still retained in the hands of the Rev. Dr. Hawks. Stored with his library, in the city of New York, they passed through a conflagration, traces of which appear on the volumes which were packed with the remains of the same noble library when Dr. Hawks was proposing a removal, the most important of them were obtained by the writer of this report who was then preparing the notes to the Reprint of the Early Journals (1785–1835), and have remained in his possession until the present time. They are now in course of re-arrangement and perfecting the addition of other material of like nature, for placing in the fitting room secured for them at the Church Missions House in New York.

On the decease of the Rev. Dr. Hawks, the writer of this report, as having been associated with him in historical work and as chosen to fill his place as Historiographer of the American Church,—applied to the family of the deceased Conservator for the collection of manuscripts, books, pamphlets, and papers Dr. Hawks had again and again proposed to place in the Church's care and ownership. The family, in the absence of any detailed list of these manuscripts and papers, very properly exacted some proof of the Church's ownership of the various articles to which claim had been made, and everything in the library which I was able to describe and prove to be the Church's property, and these manuscripts and papers, are now either in the Registrar's hands or will be within a few days, as they are now in process of packing and arrangement for this purpose.

Some manuscript transcripts, unfortunately reduced in number by fire in which one volume, fortunately previously copied,

was destroyed, the writer of the report has, with the approbation of the Church in General Conventions, published, with the co-operation of the late Rev. Dr. Hawks, "The Documentary History of the Church in Connecticut," in two octavo volumes, and a portion of the "Documentary History of the Church in South Carolina." This series was interrupted by the Civil War. Subsequently, the present Historiographer has privately printed in sumptuous quarto volumes, under the title of "The Historical Collections of the American Colonial Church,"— Virginia. Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Maryland, and Delaware. Copies of these volumes are in the Registrar's keeping. They are out of print, the undistributed copies of two of these volumes having been destroyed by a conflagration at the printing house where they were being issued from the press.

The present Historiographer has added largely and materially to these collections. A list will be submitted to the next General Convention.

Your Commission desires to recognize the pains and care taken by the Registrar of the collection already in his hands, and they heartily commend his labour of love in gathering from all available sources, all material now existing and within his reach, which may add to the value of our historical material. They trust that through the gathering of these manuscripts and papers there may be awakened a new interest in our Church's history. They recall with no little interest the fact that through the inspiration of the late Historiographer of the American Church, the Rev. Dr. Hawks, there was formed, in 1850, an Historical Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, which in 1851-2 published two valuable octavo volumes of collections. These books, as is the case with much of our historical material, are out of print, but it is to be hoped that a fresh attempt may be made in connection with the depository we now have at the Church Missions House for the preservation of our Church's historical documents, by the formation of a Church Historical Club or Society, not only to gather for the Registrar's files, but also to publish the material which may be gathered for the elucidation of our history, and the acquainting of the world with our historical position as pre-eminently the Church of the English race on this North American Continent.

All which is respectfully submitted. For the Commission,
WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY,

Secretary.

APPENDIX XVIII.

TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BISHOP IN CHARGE OF THE AMERICAN CHURCH ON THE CONTINENT OF EUROPE.

THE Bishop in charge of the American Chapels on the Continent has the honour of presenting his triennial report, and encloses herewith the reports to him of the Clergy in charge. He has made one visitation of the Churches since the last general Convention, in the winter and spring of 1893. And in 1894 visitations were held at his request by the kindness of other visiting Bishops. The condition of the churches is in all ways satisfactory and good. In Paris the additional work undertaken in the Latin Quarter, which was interrupted by the death of the Rev. Mr. Newell, still goes on under the care of the Rev. S. K. Kelly. In Dresden the attractiveness and working power of the parish has been largely increased by the completion of a most admirable rectory. Much has been done in Rome toward the adornment of the already beautiful church, and the rectory there is finished and occupied. The summer work at Lucerne has been carried on every summer under Clergy appointed by me each separate season. The changes in the resident Clergy are as follows:

The Rev. Mr. Cornell having resigned Nice, the Rev. W. S. Adamson was elected and appointed in his place. And the vacancy in Geneva has been filled by the election and appointment of the Rev. Percy Gordon so that the list of foreign Clergy consists of the Rev. R. J. Nevin, D.D., St. Paul's Church, Rome; Rev. J. B. Morgan, D.D., rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Paris; Rev. W. S. Adamson, rector of the Church of the Holy Spirit in Nice; Rev. H. A. Venables, rector of St. James's Church, Florence; Rev. T. S. Caskey, rector of St. John's Church, Dresden; Rev. Percy Gordon, rector of Emmanuel Church, Geneva, and the Rev. S. K. Kelly, in charge of St. Luke's Chapel, Paris.

Services have been held each Sunday in the church which we occupy in common with the old Catholic Congregation in Lucerne, by the Rev. W. S. Boardman, the Rev. Geo. J. Pine, and the Rev. Henry F. Allen, acting under my appointment.

The confirmations given by me and by the other Bishops in the foreign parishes are as follows:

In St. Paul's Church, Rome, fourteen persons; in the Church of the Holy Spirit, Nice, fifteen persons; in Emmanuel Church, Geneva, twelve persons; in St. John's Church, Dresden, fourteen persons; in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Paris, seventy-five persons, four of whom were from St. Luke's Chapel; in St. James's Church, Florence, six persons.

On Tuesday, the 4th of April, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Paris, I advanced the Rev. William Whiting Newell to the priesthood.

I am indebted to the Bishops of New Hampshire, Iowa, and New York, for kind services rendered in visitations in the years when I was not there, among which is to be noted an ordination in the diaconate held by the Bishop of New Hampshire in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Paris, on the Ember Sunday in Lent, 1895.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE,

Bishop in Charge of the American Church on the Continent of Europe.

APPENDIX XIX.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

BUCHANAN WINTHROP, TREASURER, in account with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church:

Dr.		Cr.	
1892.		1892.	
Oct.	5	By balance	\$576 99
"	11	To received from Diocese of Louisiana	102 00
"	11	" " Maryland	540 00
"	11	" " Cen. New York	327 00
"	11	" " Nebraska	108 00
"	11	" " Massachusetts	624 00
"	11	" " New Jersey	321 00
"	11	" " Chicago	276 00
"	11	" " Florida	150 00
"	11	" " Delaware	108 00
"	11	" " Arkansas	48 00
"	11	" " Georgia	123 00
"	11	" " Easton	96 00
"	11	" " Missouri	135 00
"	11	" " Delaware	3 00
"	11	" " Connecticut	603 00
"	18	" " Newark	206 00
"	22	" " South Carolina	75 00
"	24	" " Texas	166 96
"	24	" " Long Island	363 00
"	28	" " Indiana	147 00
"	28	" " West Michigan	38 00
"	28	" " West New York	315 00
"	28	" " West Virginia	81 00
"	31	" " Easton	9 00
"	31	" " Maryland	6 00
"	31	" " New York	1 068 00
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		By paid Chas. L. Hutchins, semi-annual salary 1st year	\$600 00
		" Charles L. Hutchins, incidental expenses	96 33
		" Henry Anstice, salary, ass't sec.	200 00
		" Ed. W. Worthington, salary, ass't secretary	200 00
		" Carroll M. Davis, salary, ass't sec.	200 00
		" Wm. C. Proot, salary, ass't sec.	200 00
		" Rev. Wm. Tatlock, D.D., salary, sec. House of Bishops, one year	300 00
		" Rev. Charles C. Tiffany, salary, ass't secretary, House of Bishops	200 00
		" Rev. Thomas J. Packard, salary, ass't secretary House of Bishops	200 00
		" Deutch Lith. and Print Co., for postal cards, etc., etc.	98 50
		" Rev. J. Livingston Reese, D.D., for salary as registrar: 1890, \$50; 1891, \$50; 1892, \$100	200 00
		" Rev. Chas. L. Hutchins, for incidental expenses	54 96
		" F. M. Pfouts, for typewriting	27 00
		" Thos. S. Lister, for carpentering	5 00
		" F. M. Pfouts, for typewriting	111 10
		" William Tatlock, for incidental expenses	107 51
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"	11	"	"	"	Arkansas . . .	8 00	June 29	bills paid by him in connection with	574 20
"	14	"	"	"	Chicago . . .	46 00		Com. on Constitution and Canons,	
"	28	"	"	"	West Virginia . . .	13 50		Right Rev. John Williams for semi-	200 00
March	1	"	"	"	Missouri . . .	22 50		annual salary . . .	
"	5	"	"	"	Ohio . . .	38 00	Aug. 5	Rev. Samuel Hart for book-cases and	38 00
"	5	"	"	"	Rev. Chas. L. Hutchins . . .	93 15		shelving . . .	
"	15	"	"	"	Diocese of South Carolina . . .	27 50			
"	25	"	"	"	Florida . . .	15 00			
"	27	"	"	"	Quincy . . .	13 00			
April	8	"	"	"	South Florida . . .	10 00			
May	9	"	"	"	West. New York . . .	52 50			
June	3	"	"	"	Milwaukee . . .	30 00			
"	3	"	"	"	Tennessee . . .	123 00			
"	29	"	"	"	California . . .	52 50			
Sept.	15	"	"	"	Albany . . .	136 00			
"	15	"	"	"	Michigan . . .	210 00			
"	23	"	"	"	Michigan . . .	40 50	Oct.		
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APPENDIX XX.

CHANGES IN THE CANONS ADOPTED IN THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1895.

WE do hereby certify that upon a careful examination of the Minutes and Message Books of the two Houses of the General Convention held in the city of Minneapolis, in the month of October, A.D. 1895, we find the following changes to have been made in the Canons of this Church:

Title I., Canon 6, § x., is amended so as to read as follows :

§ x. Satisfaction given in any of these examinations shall in every case be certified to the Bishop in writing (or to the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, as the case may be), with the signatures of all the Examiners, and in the following form, viz. :

To the Right Reverend Bishop of (or, the Clerical mem-
bers of the Standing Committee of as the case may be).
Place,
Date,

We, the undersigned, Examining Chaplains (or Presbyters, as the case may be) of the Diocese (or Missionary Jurisdiction) of having been appointed Examiners of A. B., a Candidate for Priest's Orders, hereby certify that we have examined the said A. B. upon the subjects prescribed in Title I., Canon 6, and, in accordance with what we believe to be the will of the Church, as set forth in her Ordinal and Canons, and sensible of our responsibility for the evil which might come upon the Church through the admission of men insufficiently prepared for their work, we do give our judgment, as follows : (Here specify the proficiency of the Candidate on each of the subjects prescribed.)

(Signed)

Title I., Canon 19. § v., is amended so as to read as follows:

§ v. When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of old age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, or by reason of the extent of his Diocese, to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Bishop Coadjutor may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall, in all cases, succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him: *Provided*, that before the election of a Bishop Coadjutor for the reason of extent of Diocese, the consent of the General Convention, or during the recess thereof, the consent of a majority of the Bishops and of the several Standing Committees, must be had and obtained. Prior to any election of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Bishop of the Diocese shall consent in writing to such election, and in such consent he shall state the duties which he thereby assigns to the Bishop Coadjutor when duly elected and consecrated. And in case of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue the aforesaid consent to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee of the Diocese may request the Convention to issue such letter of consent. And the request of the said Standing Committee shall be accompanied by medical certificates of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue such written consent. No person shall be elected or consecrated as a Bishop, nor shall there be more than one Bishop Coadjutor in a Diocese at the same time.

Title I, Canon 19, § vii. [1], is amended so as to read as follows:

§ vii. [1.] The House of Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any Missionary station or stations of this Church out of the Territory of the United States, which the House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, may have designated. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Deputies, expressing their assent to the said nomination, which certificate shall be in the following form:

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the Rev. A. B., nominated by the House of Bishops to the House of Deputies for election to the Bishopric of the Missionary District of _____ as a suitable person to be elected a Bishop of this Church in foreign lands, has been duly and canonically elected by the House of Deputies a Bishop as aforesaid on this _____ day of _____ A.D.

. And we whose names are hereunto subscribed, members of the House of Deputies, do hereby testify that the said Reverend A. B., Missionary Bishop elect of _____, is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness of life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office.

We do therefore hereby severally signify our assent to the said nomination and election, humbly trusting that the consecration of the said Bishop elect will conduce to the edification and enlargement of the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Done at _____ in General Convention of the Church in the United States, on this _____ day of _____ A.D. _____

This certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

Title I., Canon 19, § xii., is amended so as to read as follows:

§ xii. It shall be lawful for any Bishop of a Diocese who is about to leave, or has left, his Diocese, with the intention of going out of the limits of the United States, or, if remaining out of his Diocese for the space of three calendar months although without leaving the United States, to authorize, by writing under his hand and seal, the Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee of such Diocese, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof. The Bishop Coadjutor or Standing Committee so authorized shall thereupon become the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Diocese, to all intents and purposes, until such writing shall be revoked, or the Bishop shall return within the Diocese: *Provided*, that nothing in this Canon shall be so construed as to prevent any Bishop who may have signed such writing from exercising his jurisdiction.

Title I., Canon 19, § xiv. [1], is amended so as to read as follows:

§ xiv. [1.] Any Bishop, Bishop Coadjutor, or Missionary Bishop may, on the invitation of the Convention or the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, or where the Bishop is for the time under a disability to perform Episcopal offices by reason of a judicial sentence, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof; and this invitation may be temporary, and it may at any time be revoked.

Title I., Canon 19, § xiv. [2], is amended so as to read as follows:

[2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the

time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or having the Bishop disabled: until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the same; and, in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed; or until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

Title I., Canon 19, § xv. [4], is amended so as to read as follows:

[4.] No Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor whose resignation has been consummated pursuant to this section, shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical jurisdiction, within the limits of his Diocese. Any Bishop whose resignation by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom has been consummated pursuant to this section, shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled.

Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1], is amended so as to read as follows:

§ xvi. [1.] If during the recess of the General Convention, and more than six months previous to its session, any vacancy arise, either by death, resignation, or other cause, in the office of any Missionary Bishop of this Church (whether Domestic or Foreign), or in case the General Convention shall have, by concurrent resolution, given consent to the election during said recess of a Missionary Bishop for a designated Missionary Jurisdiction, the House of Bishops shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops is to preside at the next General Convention; and thereupon may proceed to fill any and every such vacancy that may then exist, by electing a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions within the district, country, territory, station, or jurisdiction, where such vacancy or vacancies may exist; and in case of such election, they shall, by the Presiding Bishop, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the fact of such election to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses; and each Standing Committee that shall consent to the proposed consecration shall forward the evidence of such consent to the Presiding Bishop or Bishop as aforesaid. And if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Presiding or other Bishop as aforesaid shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States (excepting those whose resignation has been accepted); and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop or Bishop as aforesaid, with any two Bishops or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to perform the same.

Title I., Canon 19, is amended by the addition of the following as § xvii.:

§ xvii. This Canon shall take effect immediately.

Title III., Canon 1, § ii. [1], is amended so as to read as follows:

§ ii. [1.] The journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents, which are named under Title I., Canon 20, entitled "Of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church," together with all other articles that are now, or shall hereafter become, the property of either

use of the General Convention of this Church, shall be committed, unless otherwise expressly provided for, to the keeping of a Presbyter to be elected by the House of Deputies, upon nomination of the House of Bishops, who shall be known as the Registrar of the General Convention.

Title III., Canon 7, § 1., is amended so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV. There shall be a Missionary Council of this Church. It shall comprise all the Bishops of this Church, all the members of the Board of Managers, such other clergymen or laymen as may be selected by the General Convention at its triennial meetings, and in addition thereto, one Presbyter and one Layman from each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction to be chosen by the Convention, Council, or Convocation of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction; said Presbyter and said Layman to continue in office for one year or until a successor is appointed. This Council so formed shall meet annually except in those years appointed for the meeting of the Board of Missions, at such time and place as may be designated by the Board of Managers with the approval of the Presiding Bishop. Said Council shall be competent to consider the missionary work of the Church, to make such recommendations to the Board of Managers as it may deem expedient, and to increase interest in the work of the Board of Missions.

It shall be competent for the Bishop of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to fill vacancies in the representation of his Diocese or Jurisdiction occurring by removal, resignation, or death, between the sessions of the Convention, Council, or Convocation of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

There shall also be appointed in like manner a Board of Managers, to be selected from the Missionary Council, comprising the Presiding Bishop as President, and fifteen other Bishops, fifteen Presbyters, and fifteen Laymen, who shall have the management of the general missions of this Church, and when the Board of Missions is not in session, shall exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; they shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and they shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number.

All other Bishops of this Church, together with the Secretary and Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and of the Board of Managers, shall be *ex officio* members of the Board, and have the rights and privileges of the elected members except the right to vote.

Whenever demanded by one-fifth of the members present, a majority of two-thirds of the members voting shall be necessary to any act of the Board. In all annual appropriations, and in entering upon or abandoning any missionary field, as also in changing the By-laws, a majority must be present. For all other business, the Board may, by a By-law, determine the quorum.

The Board of Managers shall make a full and complete triennial report to the General Convention, constituted as the Board of Missions, prior to the third day of the session of the General Convention, and a similar report to the Missionary Council at its annual meetings, comprising such an outline of the missionary work prosecuted during the preceding year as may serve to give a comprehensive view of the progress, prospects, and present condition of the work of the Society in the several parts of the Domestic and Foreign fields.

There shall be appointed at each meeting of the General Convention of the Missionary Council a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Board of Missions, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of

work for the ensuing meeting of the Board of Missions, or of the Missionary Council.

Title III., Canon 7, § i., is amended by the addition of the following Article, to be numbered Article X.:

Whenever there shall be a meeting of the Board of Missions, as provided for in Article III. of this Canon, there shall be a roll-call of the Bishops, and of all deputations and delegations, and of the other members of the Board, and in all votes such call shall also be made whenever demanded by the Clerical or Lay Deputation of any Diocese or by any three members appointed under Article III. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for business. A majority of all members of the Board present at any meeting shall be necessary to pass any motion.

Title III., Canon 7, § i., is amended by changing the numbering of the present Article X. to Article XI.

Attest: WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Bishop of Iowa,*
ALFRED A. WATSON, *Bishop of East Carolina,*
On the part of the House of Bishops.
FREDERICK PARKER DAVENPORT,
HENRY INGALLS,
On the part of the House of Deputies.

APPENDIX XXI.

CHANGES IN THE CONSTITUTION.

I. CHANGE FINALLY ADOPTED.

THE following change in the Constitution, proposed in the General Convention of 1892, and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, was finally agreed to and ratified in the General Convention of 1895, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, viz.: the words "Assistant Bishop," wherever they occurred, were stricken out and the words "Bishop Coadjutor" were inserted in their place.

CHANGES PROPOSED IN THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1895, AND TO BE FINALLY ACTED UPON IN THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1898.

THE following amendments were proposed in the General Convention of 1895, and are to be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, in order that they may be finally acted upon in the General Convention of 1898:

Strike out the title and insert in place thereof the following:

"Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that Portion of the Holy Church known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America"; adding thereto the sub-title, "Constitutions."

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution the following:

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and, in all deliberations, freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Convention must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the President, the President-elect, the Secretary, the Secretary-elect, the President of the House of Bishops, and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdictions, and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Convention, or, for its own needs, by the House of Bishops, and shall hold

office for life, unless he resign or be relieved from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese, so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one order only, such Diocese shall, nevertheless, be bound by the acts of the General Convention.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House; *Provided*, however, that if it shall appear that a constitutional quorum of the House has not voted, the Presiding Officer shall declare that there has been no vote of the House; and in such a case the question may be again put to the House when a quorum shall be present, at any time before the final adjournment of the Convention then in session.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Convention shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical Authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at such place as shall have been determined on by the Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Convention.

In the thirteenth line of Article 5 of the Constitution insert between the word "concerned" and the words "as well" the following: "and in case of a Missionary District or Districts of the Bishop and Convocation of each"; so that it shall read as follows:

"No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts or parts of Districts, or any existing Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses or Districts, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Conven-

tion of each of the Dioceses concerned, and, in the case of a Missionary District or Districts, of the Bishop and Convocation of each, and in no case without the consent of the General Convention, and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated Diocese."

Add at the close of the second paragraph of the same Article the following words: "And also of the consent to the erection of such Diocese of a majority of the parishes or congregations in union with the Diocesan Convention, or of the parishes or congregations canonically constituted in a Missionary District within the territory of the proposed new Diocese"; so that the closing sentence of the second paragraph as thus amended shall read as follows:

"And such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese, and also of the consent to the erection of such Diocese of a majority of the parishes or congregations in union with the Diocesan Convention, or of the parishes or congregations canonically constituted in a Missionary District within the territory of the proposed new Diocese."

Add to the same Article the following: "The General Convention may accept a cession of a part of the territorial jurisdiction of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory, and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory, shall consent thereto."

Attest:

SAMUEL HART,

Secretary of the House of Bishops.

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,

Secretary of the House of Deputies.

MINNEAPOLIS, October 22, A. D. 1895.

APPENDIX XXII. — 1.

RULES OF ORDER. — HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

As amended, 1895.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

1. THE House shall meet for business at such time and place as shall have been duly notified by the Presiding Bishop or Chairman of the House to the members of this House, and shall be called to order by the Presiding Bishop, or, in his absence, by the Senior Bishop present.

2. Any Bishop appearing in the House of Bishops for the first time after his consecration shall then be presented to the President by one or more Bishops, and, if such be present, by one or more Bishops who took part in his consecration.

3. The roll of members shall be called by the Secretary or the Assistant Secretary of the session of the House last preceding, or, in their absence, by a Secretary appointed *pro tempore*.

4. If any member or members of the House shall have died since its last meeting, the Presiding Bishop shall then announce, without word or comment, the fact and the date of such death, after which he shall say the Lord's Prayer, together with the following Prayer and Collects:

"We bless thy holy Name for all thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours. And we yield unto thee most high praise and hearty thanks, for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all thy saints, who have been the choice vessels of thy grace, and the lights of the world in their several generations; most humbly beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow the example of their steadfastness in thy faith, and obedience to thy holy commandments, that at the day of the general resurrection, we, with all those who are of the mystical Body of thy Son, may be set on his right hand, and hear that his most joyful voice: Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen."

The Collect for All Saints' Day.

The Collect in the Visitation Office: "O God, whose days," etc.

"The grace of our Lord," etc.

5. The House shall then proceed to elect a Secretary. If but one candidate be nominated, the election shall be *viva voce*; if more than one, by ballot.

6. With the approbation of the Presiding Officer, the Secretary may, at any period of the session, appoint an Assistant Secretary.

7. The House shall then proceed to elect, in all cases by ballot, a Chairman of the House, who shall be Assessor to the Presiding Bishop, and in his absence, or at his request, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House, and to whom the Presiding Bishop may assign any duties connected with his office, from which, from time to time, he may desire to be relieved. He shall continue in office until the Triennial General Convention following that in which he was elected. A Bishop who has

served as Chairman for three years may be elected for a second time, but not thereafter. Officers of the House of Bishops, when addressing the House in debate, shall in all cases do so from the floor of the House.

8. As soon as the House of Bishops shall have been organized by the election of its Secretary and Chairman, it shall be the duty of the Chairman to instruct the Secretary to communicate to the House of Deputies the fact of its organization, and that it is ready to proceed to business.

DAILY ORDER.

I. Bishops shall be selected by the Secretary by lot on the first day of the session, whose duty it shall be, in the order of such selection, to take charge of the united Morning Service of the General Convention.

II. The House shall meet for business one hour after the hour appointed for the said Morning Service, unless otherwise ordered at the previous adjournment. When the President shall have taken the chair, new members may be introduced, as on the first day. The roll shall then be called, after which the House shall be bidden to prayer by the President; but after the third day of the session, the roll shall not be called, unless by order of the House. The Minutes of the last meeting shall then be read by the Secretary, and acted upon by the House.

III. On the second day of the session, after Prayers, the Presiding Bishop shall lay before the House a statement of his official acts during the recess of the General Convention.

IV. On days when the Bishops are expected to meet with the Deputies and others in the Board of Missions during any part of the forenoon, the first business shall be the consideration of such matters as the Committee on the Despatch of Business shall report as urgently demanding attention. After that shall follow consideration of Messages from the House of Deputies not disposed of, and a call for reports from Standing Committees; then may follow any other business for which time shall remain. If the Board of Missions shall adjourn before the customary hour for adjournment of the House of Bishops, the House shall resume its sitting. Any part of this rule may be suspended by a majority vote.

V. The business of the House shall be disposed of in the order following:

- (a) Communications from the President.
- (b) Petitions and Memorials.
- (c) Messages from the House of Deputies not yet disposed of.
- (d) Motions of reference.
- (e) Reports from Standing Committees, in the order in which the Committees are named in the First General Rule.
- (f) Reports of Commissions.
- (g) Reports from Special Committees.
- (h) Miscellaneous business.

VI. The Order of the Day shall be taken up at the hour appointed, unless postponed by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to prepare and place upon the table in front of his desk, each morning after the opening of the House, a calendar of all Orders of the Day not yet discharged.

VII. Bishops invited to honorary seats may be introduced by the President whenever no other business occupies the House.

GENERAL RULES.

I. As an indication of our humble dependence upon the Word and Spirit of God, and following the example of Primitive Councils, a copy of the Holy Scriptures shall always be reverently placed in view at the meetings of this House.

II. There shall be added to other Religious Services of this House the Administration of the Holy Communion once in every week.

III. Committees shall be appointed by the Chairman of the House, unless otherwise ordered. The Bishop first named on the Committee shall act as its convenor, and each Committee at its first meeting shall elect its own Chairman. Whenever an appointment to any place or position is made by direct action of the House such appointment shall be by ballot. The Standing Committees, to be announced not later than the third day of the Session, shall be as follows :

1. On the Prayer Book.
2. On Amendments to the Constitution.
3. On Canons.
4. On the Pastoral Letter, of which the Presiding Bishop shall be Chairman.
5. On the conduct of all Religious Services connected with the Convention.
6. On Domestic Missions.
7. On Foreign Missions.
8. On Christian Education.
9. On the Consecration of Bishops.
10. On the Nomination of Missionary Bishops.
11. On the Admission of New Dioceses.
12. On the General Theological Seminary.
13. On Memorials and Petitions.
14. On Unfinished Business.
15. On Despatch of Business.
16. On Rules of Order.

Each of these Committees shall consist of not more than five nor less than three members, at the discretion of the Chairman of the House, except that the Committee on Canons shall consist of seven members.

IV. No memorial, petition, or address shall come before this House unless presented by the Chairman of the House, or some other Bishop present.

V. Nothing other than reports and other documents printed for the use and by the Order of the House, except the private correspondence of its members, shall be distributed in the House without having first been entrusted to the Secretary, and submitted to the approval of the Presiding Officer.

VI. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing; and no motion shall be considered as before the House until seconded.

VII. Members in discussion shall address the Chair, and shall confine themselves to the point in debate. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

VIII. Every member present shall, on a division, be counted, unless personally interested in the question to be decided. When, in taking a question, the President's vote produces a tie, the motion shall be considered as lost.

IX. The ayes and nays may be required by any three members, and shall in such cases be entered on the Journal.

X. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received unless to lay it upon the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it: and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. Motions to lay upon the table and to adjourn shall be decided without debate. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

XI. On motion duly put and carried, the House may resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, when a Chairman of the same shall be elected. The Junior Bishop present shall act as Clerk of the Committee, and make a record of its action.

XII. Reports of Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received of course and without motion for acceptance, unless recommitted by a vote of the House. Reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the House shall be accompanied by specific resolutions.

XIII. Reports of Committees appointed to sit during the recess, if not acted upon at once, shall, when presented, be made the Order of the Day for a time fixed.

XIV. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair without debate, but appeal may be taken from such decision. On such appeal no member shall speak more than once without express leave of the House.

XV. Amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after-amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for the whole matter may be received. No proposition on a subject differing from the one under consideration shall be received under colour of a substitute.

XVI. A question, being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session of the Convention, except with the consent of two-thirds of the House. A motion to reconsider can only be made by one who voted with the majority on the previous determination of the question.

XVII. Messages from the House of Deputies shall be handed by the Secretary of this House to the President, to be laid before the House as early as may be convenient. Committees from the House of Deputies shall be admitted immediately.

XVIII. The Committee on Despatch of Business shall, each day, before the adjournment of the House, report any action of the House of Deputies which is liable to acquire the effect of law without the concurrence of this House.

XIX. Two of the Bishops shall be appointed by the Chair to act with the Secretary in preparing daily reports of the action of this House, and furnishing them, at their discretion, to public journalists.

XX. It shall be competent for the House of Bishops to convene as, or, being convened, to resolve itself into, a Council of Bishops, at which only members of the House of Bishops and elected officers of the Council shall be present, and in which one of the members of the Council, chosen for that purpose, shall act as Clerk.

XXI. Bishops admitted to honorary seats shall be conducted to the seats assigned to them by the Bishops who introduce them; and, except when privileged business is before the House, or when this House resolves itself into a Council of Bishops, shall at all times be entitled to be present.

XXII. In the event of the calling a special meeting of the House of Bishops, notice shall be issued for the same, and delivered or posted at least forty-five days before the first day of the proposed meeting. A request shall accompany the notice that an answer be returned as early as convenient from each Bishop, stating whether he will be able to attend or no. In the event of the failure to obtain a favourable reply from a sufficient number of the Bishops to constitute a majority of the whole House, notice of such failure shall be sent to each of the Bishops at least twelve days before the first day of the proposed session, and the call for such meeting shall be held as satisfied, and of no further effect.

XXIII. The ballot for the nomination of a Missionary Bishop shall not be had until the day after the presentation of the names of Presbyters suggested for the office, without unanimous consent; and it is recommended that the administration of the Holy Communion precede the ballot.

XXIV. The House shall be bidden to prayer for Missions at noon of each day of the session.

XXV. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

XXVI. These Rules shall be in force in subsequent sessions of this House until otherwise ordered.

STANDING ORDERS.

1. WHEREAS, By provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § ii. [2], § iii. [1], and § xvi. [1], the Presiding Bishop of the House is empowered to take order for the ordination or consecration of Diocesan and Missionary Bishops, either in his own person or by commission issued to three Bishops:

It is hereby ordered that, in all cases of Episcopal consecrations, the place for the same, if not in the Diocese or Jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop, or of the Bishop appointed by him to preside at the solemnity, shall be designated only with the consent of the Bishop in whose Diocese or Jurisdiction it is; that the Bishop-elect shall have the right to designate the preacher and the two Bishops by whom he is to be presented; and that, in the absence of the Presiding Bishop, the Senior Bishop of this Church present at any consecration of a Bishop is the Bishop presiding for that solemnity, unless some other Bishop shall have been assigned to such service on any special occasion by the Presiding Bishop, or by the Bishops present at the consecration.

2. Seniority among the Bishops is according to the time of the Consecration of each Bishop.

3. Two or more of the Bishops shall be appointed at each General Convention, to take charge, together with the Secretary of the House of Bishops, of the Journal of its proceedings, and to see that the whole, or such parts of it as the House may direct, be entered in its proper place in the Journal of the General Convention.

4. The House of Bishops shall assemble on every morning during the period of the General Convention, except the Lord's Day, for business, unless adjournment beyond that morning has been ordered by vote of the House.

5. The daily session of this House shall be closed with the Benediction, pronounced by the Bishop presiding.

6. The Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops shall receive any information touching any one who has been nominated for election as Missionary Bishop, and especially any information concerning the intellectual, moral, and physical qualifications of the person nominated, with dates of birth and graduation, and specific statements as to theological attainments, proficiency in languages, ancient and modern, and as to any specialty in sacred studies to which he may have devoted himself; and shall report to the House the names of such persons nominated as appear to them fitted for the Jurisdiction to be filled.

7. The Secretary of the House of Bishops shall keep, in a suitable book to be provided for the purpose, a Record of the members and officers of the House from the beginning, and shall record therein the names of the Bishops who are or have been members of this House, the date and place of their consecration, the names of their consecrators, together with the date of the termination, by death, resignation, or otherwise, of the membership of such Bishops as have ceased to have a seat in this House; all which facts shall be recorded only upon official information, for which it shall be the duty of the Secretary to call upon such persons as may be competent to furnish the same. The said book of record shall be the official Register of this House, and the Roll of the House made up

therefrom by the Secretary shall be by him certified to its Presiding Officer, who shall, at each regular or special session of the House, communicate the same to the House, as its official Roll, as soon as he shall have taken the chair. Such Roll shall be subject to change only by vote of the House.

8. In making up the list of the Bishops who have retained their constituted right to seats in this House, the Secretary is instructed to leave the name of any Bishop resigned in the place which he occupies in the order of his consecration, with the addition of the word "Bishop," which shall be considered as the sufficient official title of such resigned Bishop.

9. In the event of the loss by any Bishop of his seat in the House of Bishops, with the consequent omission of his name from the roll, and his return to the House, his name shall be entered on the roll at the place corresponding with the time of such return.

10. It is the judgment of the House of Bishops that the Foreign Missionary Bishops of the Church should attend the sessions of the General Convention.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED OCTOBER 18, 1892.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House it is competent for the Presiding Bishop to devolve all the duties pertaining to his office upon the Chairman elected by the House.

Resolved, That it is competent for any Bishop to decline entering upon the office of Presiding Bishop, and to resign the same at his discretion.

Resolved, That whenever it is evident that the Presiding Bishop is incompetent to discharge the duties of his office, and at the same time disqualified by mental infirmity for the intelligent resignation of his office, it shall be incumbent upon the Bishops of the seven Dioceses nearest the Diocese of the Presiding Bishop, or, if he have no Diocese, nearest the Diocese or Jurisdiction relinquished by him, to call, through the Chairman of the House, a special meeting of the House of Bishops for the purpose of taking action to meet the emergency.

APPENDIX XXII. — 2.

OFFICES OF DEVOTION — HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

I.

A Form of Devotion for the Daily Sessions of the House.

1. A Selection from Holy Scripture.

2. The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

Answer. And grant us thy salvation.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Answer. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

O God the Father of Heaven; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Father of Heaven; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O GOD the Holy Ghost, we thine unworthy servants most humbly beseech thee to be our Light and Strength in our present work. Come to us, and teach us what to do, that by thy help we may please thee in all things. Let not ignorance draw us astray, nor respect of persons corrupt our doings. Illuminate our minds and sanctify our hearts, O blessed Spirit, whom, with the Father and the Son together, we worship and glorify as one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Collect.

O BLESSED Saviour, the Lord of the Harvest, who knowest that the labourers are few, we beseech thee, according to thy most sure word of promise, to send forth labourers into thy harvest, to our comfort and thy great glory.

Answer. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Our Father, *etc.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, *etc.*

Or this:

1. A Selection from Holy Scripture.

2. The Creed.

3. *Gloria Patri*, to be said or sung.

4. *Collect.*

O GOD, who dost teach the hearts of thy faithful people by sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us thy servants, the Bishops and Pastors of thy flock, by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

5. *Collect for the First Sunday after the Epiphany.*

O LORD, we beseech Thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people who call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

6. *Collect for St. Peter's Day.*

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandest him earnestly to feed thy flock; Make, we beseech thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently to preach thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

7. *Also, the following Prayer.*

BLESS, O gracious Father, thine Holy Catholic Church; fill it with truth and grace; where it is corrupt, purge it; where it is in error, direct it; where it is superstitious, rectify it; where it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; where it is divided and rent asunder, heal the breaches of it, O thou Holy One of Israel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

8. Our Father, *etc.*

9. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, *etc.*

II.

A Form to be used before balloting for a Presbyter to be nominated to a Missionary Bishopric.

1. Lesson to be read by a Bishop designated by the Presiding Bishop, to wit: Exodus iv. 1-12; Isaiah vi. 1-8; Acts xx. at verse 17; or Revelation vii. at verse 9.
2. *Veni, Creator Spiritus*, the longer form.
3. Versicles: The Lord be with you.
Answer. And with thy spirit.
4. Secret Prayer, for which there shall silence be kept for a space.
5. The Lord's Prayer.
6. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, *etc.*

III.

A Form to be used when the House is ready to vote on the Confirmation of a Bishop-elect.

The Presiding Bishop shall bid the House to Prayer, and after silence shall have been kept for a space, he shall say:

1. The Collect for the Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany.
2. The Collect for the Ninth Sunday after Trinity.
3. The Collect for the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
4. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, *etc.*

APPENDIX XXIII.

RULES OF ORDER. — HOUSE OF DEPUTIES.

Adopted, 1880. Amended, 1883, 1886, 1889, 1892, and 1895.

Title III., Canon 1, § i.

[4] The Rules and Orders of the House of Deputies shall be in force in the ensuing General Convention until the organization thereof, and until they be amended or repealed by the said House.

1. The daily sessions of this House shall be opened with the Morning Service of the Church.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

3. When the President shall have taken the chair, the Roll of Members shall be called, and the Minutes of the preceding day read; but the same may be dispensed with by a majority of the House, to be decided without debate.

4. At the opening of the session, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees, to wit:

I. On the State of the Church, to consist of one member from each Diocese, two members from the Delegations from Missions Jurisdictions, and one from the Jurisdiction of Foreign Churches; and

II. On the General Theological Seminary.

III. On Missions.

IV. On the Admission of New Dioceses.

V. On the Consecration of Bishops.

VI. On Amendments to the Constitution.

VII. On Canons.

VIII. On Expenses.

IX. On Unfinished Business.

X. On Elections.

XI. On the Prayer Book.

XII. On Christian Education.

XIII. On Memorials of Deceased Members.

(Each to consist of thirteen members.)

XIV. On Rules of Order (to consist of six members, of whom the President of the House shall be one); to which Committee shall be referred, without debate, all proposed amendments to the Rules of Order.

5. The daily Order of Business shall be as follows:

I. Reading the Minutes.

II. Communications from the President.

III. Reports from Standing Committees, in the following order:

1. On Elections.

2. On the Admission of New Dioceses.

3. On Rules of Order.

4. On the Consecration of Bishops.

5. On Amendments to the Constitution.

25. All Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

26. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair, and before the President leaves the chair he may make any communication to the House, or cause any notice to be read by the Secretary.

27. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

28. When memorials or petitions are presented, their contents shall be concisely stated by the Deputy presenting them, and they shall be referred or laid upon the table, unless by a majority vote the memorial or petition shall be ordered to be read.

29. Reports of Committees appointed to sit during the recess, if not acted upon at once, shall, when presented, be made the Order of the Day for a time fixed.

30. No applause shall be permitted during the session of the House.

31. Messages from the House of Bishops shall be handed by the Secretary of this House to the President, to be laid before the House as early as may be convenient.

32. Seats upon the platform shall be occupied by officers of the Convention or their representatives, members of the House of Bishops, and such other persons only as by special vote of the Convention shall be so authorized.

33. No one shall be admitted to the floor of the House except Deputies, Presidents of Colleges recognized as Church Colleges by the Committee on Christian Education, Clergymen of this Church, and of other branches of the Church Catholic with which this Church is in Communion who may be sojourning in the city where the General Convention is assembled, Managers, Secretaries, and Treasurers of the Board of Missions, Trustees, Professors, and students of the General and other Theological Seminaries of this Church, other students of Theology who are candidates for Holy Orders in this Church, former members of the House of Deputies, and the Clergy, Wardens, and Vestrymen of the Church in which the House of Deputies may sit.

34. No rule shall be suspended unless with the assent of two-thirds of the members present.

35. Except with the assent of three-fourths of the members present, the House shall not accept any invitation, or participate in any exercises which shall involve suspension, interruption, or abridgment of its regular appointed sessions.

36. Except when otherwise ordered by the House, no books, pamphlets, or other printed matter shall be distributed in the House, or placed in the seats of members, without the express permission of the Presiding Officer; but this prohibition shall not apply to the report of a Committee, or to any paper or other document presented to and accepted by the House, or printed by its authority.

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come up the next day as unfinished business. But by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, the House may at once consider the resolution. All Messages from the House of Bishops communicating any legislative action on their part shall, without debate, be referred to the proper Committee.

13. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after-amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for both amendments may be received, which, if adopted, shall operate as an amendment to the original proposition. No proposition on a subject different from the one under consideration shall be received under colour of an amendment or substitute.

14. In all questions decided numerically, the motion to reconsider must be made by one Deputy, and seconded by another who voted in the majority; or, in case of equal division, by those who voted in the negative; and, in case of a vote by Orders, where there is a concurrence of both Orders, a motion to reconsider shall be made by a majority of a Deputation from any Diocese of either Order voting in the majority; and, in case of a non-concurrence of Orders, the motion to reconsider shall come from a majority of a Deputation from a Diocese of that Order which gave the majority in the negative; and, in either case, a motion to reconsider shall be seconded by a majority of any Deputation of either Order, without regard to its previous vote. And all motions to reconsider shall be made and seconded on the day the vote is taken, or the next succeeding day.

15. The Reports of all Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received of course, and without motion for acceptance, unless recommended by a vote of the House. All reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the House shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the House therein.

16. Reports from the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members shall embody simply the name, Diocese, date of birth and death, and time of service in General Convention, of deceased members of the current or any preceding General Convention, of whom memorials shall not have theretofore been made; and such reports shall, after suitable devotions, be received by the House standing.

17. No new business shall be introduced for the consideration of the House after the twelfth day of its session, except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

18. Whenever the election of a Bishop, the approval of his testimonials, or assent to his consecration, shall be considered, the House shall sit with closed doors.

19. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair without debate; but any member may appeal from such decision, and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once, without express leave of the House.

20. The names of the movers of resolutions shall appear upon the Minutes of the House.

21. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the question under consideration.

22. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

23. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

24. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, nor longer than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of the House.

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APPENDIX XXIV.

JOINT RULE ON THE POWERS OF JOINT COMMITTEES.

1. JOINT Special Committees, having made their final Report, are to be considered as having exhausted their functions, and can only be revived by the concurrent action of the two Houses.

2. It shall be the privilege of either House to refer to a Joint Committee any matter relating to the subject for which it was appointed; but neither House shall have the power, without the consent of the other, to instruct the Joint Committee as to any particular line of action.

Adopted by the House of Deputies on the twelfth day of the session, 1883. (See Journal, p. 223.)

Adopted by the House of Bishops on the seventeenth day of the session, 1883. (See Journal, p. 86.)

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Secretary of the House of Deputies.

Digest of the Canons

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

United States of America,

PASSED AND ADOPTED IN GENERAL CONVENTIONS.

TOGETHER WITH

The Constitution.

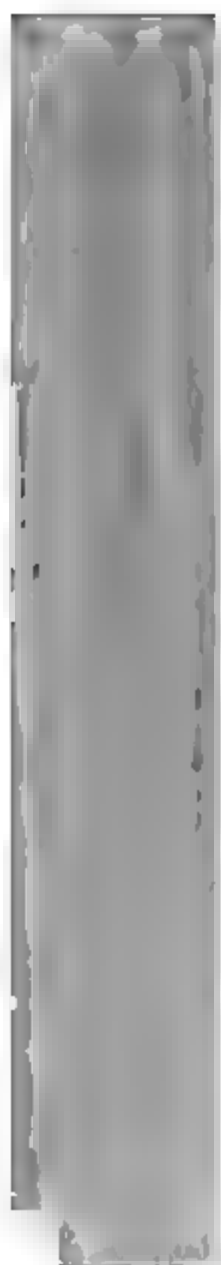
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CONSTITUTION.

Constitution,

ADOPTED IN GENERAL CONVENTION,

IN PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER, 1789.

ARTICLE 1.

THERE shall be a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America on the first Wednesday in October, in every third year, from the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one; and in such place as shall be determined by the Convention; and in case there shall be an epidemic disease, or any other good cause to render it necessary to alter the place fixed for any such meeting of the Convention, the Presiding Bishop shall have it in his power to appoint another convenient place (as near as may be to the place so fixed on) for the holding of such Convention: and special meetings may be called at other times, in the manner hereafter to be provided for; and this Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution, shall be represented, before they shall proceed to business; except that the representation from two Dioceses shall be sufficient to adjourn; and in all business of the Convention freedom of debate shall be allowed.

General Convention.

Change of Place.

Special Meetings.

Quorum.

Freedom of Debate.

ARTICLE 2.

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and the Laity. Each representation shall consist of not more than

House of Deputies.

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**Clergymen
and Laymen.**

**Vote by Dio-
ceses and
Orders.**

**Dioceses un-
represented
are bound.**

four Clergymen and four Laymen, communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese, and chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof; and in all questions when required by the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese, each Order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each Order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that Order. The concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House of Deputies. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint Clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint Lay Deputies, or if any of those of either Order appointed should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such Deputy or Deputies as may attend, whether Lay or Clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

ARTICLE 3.

**House of
Bishops.**

**Negative up-
on the Lower
House.**

The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies composed of Clergy and Laity; and when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative

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thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses. And in all cases the House of Bishops shall signify to the House of Deputies their approbation or disapprobation (the latter with their reasons in writing) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member *ex officio*, and shall vote with the Clerical Deputies of the Diocese to which he belongs; and a Bishop shall then preside.

ARTICLE 4.

The Bishop or Bishops in every Diocese shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be fixed by the Convention of that Diocese; and every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal Office to his proper Diocese, unless requested to ordain, or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal Office in another Diocese by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

Jurisdiction of
Bishops.

ARTICLE 5.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese, to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions, viz.: —

Admission of
New Dioceses.

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more

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Consent required.

Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention, and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese.

Limit of Presbyters and Parishes.

No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than six Parishes, or less than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than twelve Parishes, or less than twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned: *Provided*, that no city shall form more than one Diocese.

Rights of the Diocesan and the Bishop Coadjutor.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Constitution and Canons of New Dioceses.

Whenever the division of a Diocese into two or more Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dio-

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ceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

ARTICLE 6.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

**Ecclesiastical
Courts, Trials,
and Sentences.**

ARTICLE 7.

No person shall be admitted to Holy Orders until he shall have been examined by the Bishop, and by two Presbyters, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons, in that case provided, may direct. Nor shall any person be ordained until he shall have subscribed the following declaration:—

**Requisites for
Ordination.**

I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

Declaration.

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided, and have also subscribed the aforesaid Declaration.

**Admission of
Foreign Clergy**

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ARTICLE 8.

**The Book of
Common
Prayer.**

**Alterations or
Additions,
how to be
made.**

**The Lection-
ary, how it
may be
amended.**

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a Form and Manner of making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer, or other Offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Convention, and by a resolve thereof made known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention. *Provided, however,* That the General Convention shall have power, from time to time, to amend the Lectionary; but no act for this purpose shall be valid which is not voted for by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.

ARTICLE 9.

**Alterations of
this Constitu-
tion.**

This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless in General Convention, by the Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which may have adopted the same; and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, before they shall be finally agreed to, or ratified, in the ensuing General Convention.

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ARTICLE 10.

Bishops for foreign countries, on due application therefrom, may be consecrated, with the approbation of the Bishops of this Church, or a majority of them, signified to the Presiding Bishop; he thereupon taking order for the same, and they being satisfied that the person designated for the office has been duly chosen, and properly qualified: the Order of Consecration to be conformed, as nearly as may be, in the judgment of the Bishops, to the one used in this Church. Such Bishops, so consecrated, shall not be eligible to the Office of Diocesan, or Bishop Coadjutor, in any Diocese in the United States, nor be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, nor exercise any Episcopal authority in said States.

Consecration
of Bishops for
Foreign Coun-
tries.

*Done in the General Convention of the Bishops,
Clergy, and Laity of the Church, the 2d day of
October, 1789.*

NOTE. — When the Constitution was originally adopted, in August, 1789, the first Article provided that the triennial Convention should be held on the first Tuesday in August. At the adjourned meeting of the Convention, held in October of the same year, it was provided that the second Tuesday in September, in every third year, should be the time of meeting. The time was again changed to the third Tuesday in May, by the General Convention of 1804.

History of
Alterations.

The first Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841.

The second Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1856.

The third Article was so altered by the General Convention of 1808, as to give the House of Bishops

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a full veto upon the proceedings of the other House.

1874. The fourth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1874.

1871. The fifth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1871.

1841. The sixth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841.

1811. The second sentence of the eighth Article was adopted at the General Convention of 1811.

1829. The words "or the Articles of Religion" were added to the eighth Article by the General Convention of 1829.

1877. The third sentence of the eighth Article was adopted at the General Convention of 1877.

1844. The tenth Article was finally agreed to, and ratified, in the General Convention of 1844.

1838. The Convention of 1838 adopted the following alterations, to wit:—

Striking out the word "States" wherever it occurred in the first and second Articles, except where it followed the word "United" in the first part of the first Article, and inserting in lieu of the word "States" the word "Dioceses." Striking out the word "States" wherever it occurred in the second, third, and fourth Articles, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Dioceses."

Striking out the words "or district" in the fourth Article.

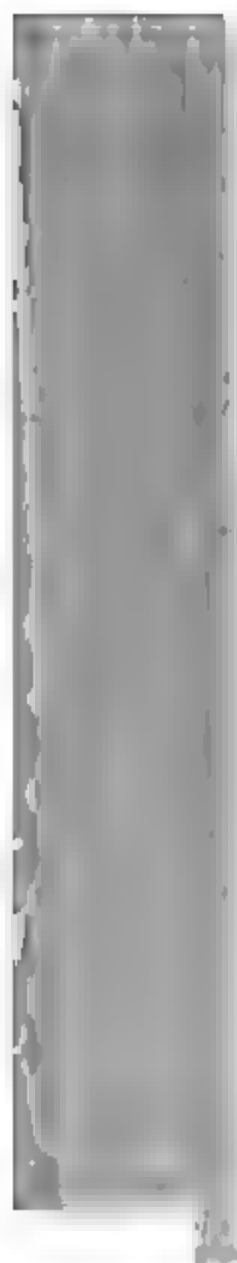
Striking out the word "State" in the sixth Article, and inserting the word "Diocese."

Striking out the word "States" in the eighth Article, and inserting the word "Dioceses"; and in the eighth Article striking out the words "or State" after the words "every Diocese."

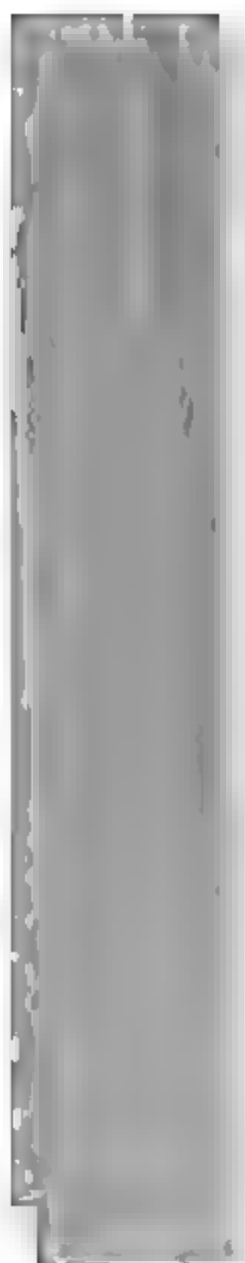
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Striking out the word "States" in the ninth Article, and inserting the word "Dioceses." Striking out the word "State" in the ninth Article, and inserting the word "Diocesan."

The words "House of Deputies" were substituted for the word "Convention" in the fourteenth line of the second Article, and in the twelfth line of the third Article, at the General Convention of 1886. 1886.



Digest of the Canons.



Title I.

OF THE ORDERS IN THE MINISTRY, AND OF THE
DOCTRINE AND WORSHIP OF THIS CHURCH.

CANON 1.

Of the Orders of Ministry in this Church.

In this Church there shall always be three Orders in the Ministry, namely: Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. **Three Orders of Ministry.**

CANON 2.

Of Postulants.

§ i. [1.] Every person desiring to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders is, in the first instance, to consult his immediate Pastor, or if he have none, some Presbyter to whom he is personally known, setting before him the grounds of his desire for admission to the Ministry, together with such circumstances as may bear on his qualifications, or tend to affect his course of preparation. **To consult with Pastor.**

[2.] If counselled to persevere in his intention, such person shall then, with letter of approval and introduction from such Presbyter, which letter shall furnish to the Bishop precise and specific information as to his antecedents, training, physical, moral and intellectual fitness to be received as a Postulant **To furnish information to the Bishop**

Of Postulants.

And notice of intention.

for the Holy Ministry, give notice of such intention to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs.

Dispensation provided.

[3.] The Bishop may, in a case where it is impossible to obtain such testimony, dispense with the provisions of this section, and receive the application directly.

What the application shall state.

§ ii. In his written application to the Bishop, the applicant shall state:

(a.) The dates of his birth, baptism, confirmation and first communion.

(b.) Whether he has ever before applied for admission as a Postulant or Candidate for Holy Orders.

(c.) Whether he is prepared forthwith to make application to be received as a Candidate.

Bishop shall enter name.

§ iii. Should the Bishop approve of the application he shall enter the name of the applicant upon the list of Postulants, in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall inform him of the fact and date of such entry.

An applicant elsewhere refused admission not to be received without a certificate.

§ iv. [1.] No Bishop shall accept as a Postulant any person who has been refused admission as a Postulant or Candidate for Holy Orders, in any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction than his own, or, who having been admitted, has afterwards ceased to be a Candidate, until such person shall have produced a certificate from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he has been refused admission, or has been a Postulant or Candidate, declaring the cause of such refusal or cessation.

Of Candidates for Holy Orders.

[2.] Should the Bishop, after the receipt of such certificate, see fit to accept the applicant as a Postulant, he shall remit said certificate, or a copy thereof, to the Standing Committee, for their consideration, in the event of the said Postulant applying to them to be recommended as a Candidate for Holy Orders.

Certificate to be remitted to Standing Committee.

§ v. A Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, shall be competent to receive and act upon applications under this Canon from persons desiring to be received as Postulants.

Standing Committee competent to act.

CANON 3.

Of Candidates for Holy Orders.

§ i. Candidates for Holy Orders are divided into two classes, viz., Candidates for Deacon's Orders only, and Candidates for the Priesthood.

Two classes.

§ ii. A Postulant shall apply for recommendation to the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of the Bishop to whom his notice of intention has been given.

Postulant to apply to Standing Committee.

§ iii. A Postulant, having been duly received, may thereafter apply to the Standing Committee for a recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders; and he shall then lay before the Standing Committee the following papers, viz. :

And shall lay before them certain papers.

(a.) An application signed by himself.

His own application.

(b.) The Bishop's approval, in writing, of his desire to become a Candidate.

The Bishop's approval.

Of Candidates for Holy Orders.

Certificate. (c.) A certificate in the following words :

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,

We, whose names are hereunder written, do certify from our personal knowledge, or from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B. is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he is a communicant of the same in good standing. We do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for entrance on a course of preparation for the Holy Ministry.

(Signed)

**Signed by
Minister and
Vestry.**

**Certificate to
be attested.**

This certificate must be signed by the Minister of the Parish to which the applicant belongs, and by a majority of the whole Vestry, and must be attested by the Minister, or by the Secretary of the Vestry, as follows, viz.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing certificate was signed at a meeting of the Vestry of _____ Parish, duly convened at _____ on the _____ day of _____ and that the names attached are those of all (or a majority of all) the members of the Vestry.

(Signed)

Minister or Secretary.

**If Parish has
no Minister,
Certificate
may be
signed by
some Presby-
ter.**

§ iv. But should the Parish be without a Minister, it shall suffice that in his place the certificate be signed by some Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in good standing, the reason for the substitution being stated in the attesting clause.

**If there be no
Parish, by
whom certifi-
cate is to be
signed.**

§ v. [1.] Should there be no organized Parish at the place of residence of the applicant, or should it be impracticable, through circumstances not affecting his moral or religious character, to obtain the signatures of the Minister and Vestry, or of the Vestry, it may suffice if the certificate be signed by at least —

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- (a.) One Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, in good standing; and,
 (b.) Four Laymen, communicants of this Church, in good standing.

[2.] In such case, the reasons for departing from the regular form must be given in the attesting clause, which shall be signed by the same, or some other Presbyter of this Church in good standing, and shall be in the following words, viz. :

Reasons for this form of certificate to be stated.

hereby certify, that the Laymen whose names are attached to foregoing certificate are communicants of this Church in good standing, and that the reasons for departing from the regular form (here give the reasons).

(Signed)

Presbyter of the Diocese, or Missionary Jurisdiction, of

§ vi. [1.] Should the applicant have been a Minister or Licentiate, in some other body of Christians, it may suffice, that the certificate be signed by — either

If applicant be a Minister of other Christian body, who shall sign certificate.

(a.) Eight Adult Laymen, members in good standing of the denomination from which the applicant has come, or

(b.) Eight Adult Laymen, members in good standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or

(c.) Eight Adult Laymen, members in good standing, in part members of this Church and in part of the denomination from which the applicant has come.

[2.] The genuineness of the signatures to such certificate and the good standing of the signers must be attested by some person or persons known to a member of the Standing Committee, or under the seal of a Notary Public, in the following words, viz. :

Signatures to be attested.

I do hereby certify, that the names attached to the foregoing certificate are genuine, and are those of persons in good standing, members of (as the case may be).

(Signed)

Of Candidates for Holy Orders.

Certificate to be laid before Standing Committee.

[3.] He shall, in such case, also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate, signed by two Presbyters of this Church, in good standing, and known to the Committee, in the following words, viz. :

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,

We, the undersigned, Presbyters of the Protestant Episcopal Church, do hereby certify, that we are personally acquainted with A. B. : that he has become a communicant of this Church, and that we believe him to be pious, sober and honest. Furthermore, that after personal conversation with him, and due inquiry concerning him as to his change of Ecclesiastical relations, we are satisfied that he is sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that his desire to leave the denomination to which he belonged has not arisen from any circumstances unfavourable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the Ministry of this Church.

(Signed)

If Postulant seeks admission to Priest's Orders what is required.

§ vii. [1.] If a Postulant desires to be admitted a candidate for Priest's Orders, he must also, in addition to the certificates hereinbefore mentioned, lay before the Bishop a satisfactory diploma, or other satisfactory evidence, that he is a graduate in Arts of some university or college in which the Latin and Greek languages are duly studied, and that he has had a thorough collegiate training in the same.

Not a graduate, to be examined by Examining Chaplains.

[2.] But if the Postulant desiring to become a Candidate for the Priesthood be not a graduate as aforesaid, he shall be remitted by the Bishop to the Examining Chaplains, to be examined as to his knowledge of the English language and literature, and at least the first principles and general outlines of logic, rhetoric, mental and moral philosophy, physics and history, and the Latin and Greek languages. In a case of emer-

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gency, the Bishop may appoint any two or more learned Presbyters to hold such examination.

[3.] Should a Postulant wish a knowledge of the Latin and Greek Languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he may make written application to the Bishop to that effect, specifying the studies with regard to which he wishes a dispensation, and the reasons for the application.

If dispensation from Latin, etc., be desired.

[4.] Together with the application, he shall lay before the Bishop a certificate signed by at least two Examining Chaplains of the Diocese in the following words, viz. :

Certificate required.

To the Right Reverend

Bishop of

Place,

Date,

The undersigned Examining Chaplains of the Diocese of
sensible of the serious responsibility assumed in doing any
thing to lower the standard of learning to be required of one who
is to be admitted to the Priesthood, and set as a Teacher in the
Church, yet [here specifying the reasons] do submit that in the
case of A. B. the dispensation asked for may be wisely granted.

(Signed)

[5.] The Bishop shall remit the application, accompanied by the aforesaid certificate to the Standing Committee, with such comments as he may think fit indorsed thereon.

Bishop may dispense.

[6.] Should the Standing Committee approve the said application, they may, by a vote of not less than two-thirds of their whole body, recommend that the request of the Candidate be granted.

Standing Committee to approve.

§ viii. The Standing Committee, on the receipt of the certificates prescribed in either case, as above, by this Canon, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient objection on grounds either physical, intellectual, moral or religious, to the admission of the applicant, may proceed to recommend a Postulant for admission to Candidateship, by a testi-

Standing Committee may recommend

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by a testi-
monial.

monial bearing the signatures of a majority of the whole Committee, and addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz. :

To the Right Reverend
Place,
Date,

Bishop of

We, whose names are here underwritten, being a majority of the whole Standing Committee of _____ and having been duly convened at _____ do testify, from personal knowledge or certificates laid before us, that we believe that A. B. is pious and honest; that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he is a Communicant of the said Church in good standing; and do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for entrance on a course of preparation for the Ministry.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord
(Signed)

Standing Committee of

Bishop may
then admit.

§ ix. [1.] The Bishop, on the receipt of the monial of the Standing Committee, in either case may proceed to admit the applicant as a Candidate for Holy Orders; he shall thereupon record his name, with the date of his admission, in a book kept by the Bishop for that purpose, and shall inform the Candidate and the Secretary of the Standing Committee that he has been admitted as a Candidate for Deacon's Orders only or for the Priesthood, and the date of his admission.

Bishop shall
assign texts.

[2.] The Bishop shall assign to each Candidate for the Priesthood the texts of Scripture upon which he may think fit to require him to prepare discourses for presentation at his Examinations.

[3.] The Bishop shall have the sole discretion

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dispensation with a knowledge of the Hebrew language, in the case of any Candidate.

**Bishop alone can dispense with knowledge of Hebrew.
Definition of Bishop.**

§ x. The Bishop of the Diocese, for the purposes of this and other Canons relating to Ordination, shall be understood, in cases so requiring, to signify an Assistant Bishop when so empowered under Title I., Canon 19, § v., a Missionary Bishop, or any other Bishop of this Church canonically in charge of a Diocese, or Missionary Jurisdiction, or Congregation in foreign parts.

CANON 4.

General Provisions Concerning Candidates for Holy Orders.

§ i. [1.] The superintendence of all Candidates for Holy Orders, both as to their daily life and as to the direction of their theological studies, pertains to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which they belong.

Supervision of candidates.

[2.] In a Diocese under the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Standing Committee, the clerical members of the Committee shall, through their President, exercise such superintendence and direction.

In vacant Dioceses.

§ ii. Care shall be taken that every Candidate pursue his studies diligently and under proper direction, and that he do not indulge in vain or trifling conduct, or in amusements unfavourable to that seriousness of deportment or to those pious and studious habits or that good report which become a person preparing for the Holy Ministry.

Diligence in study required.

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No transfer.

§ iii. [1.] A Candidate once admitted must remain in canonical connection with the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he has been admitted until his ordination, except as hereinafter otherwise provided.

Where studies may be prosecuted.

[2.] The Bishop, or the clerical members of the Standing Committee when acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority, may permit a Candidate to prosecute his studies outside of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, without disturbing his canonical residence.

Transfer for satisfactory reasons.

[3.] For reasons satisfactory to the Ecclesiastical Authority, letters dimissory may be given him on his own request to any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

What is not a sufficient reason.

[4.] The convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary shall not be held to be in itself a sufficient reason for change of canonical residence.

Candidates to make quarterly reports.

§ iv. [1.] Every Candidate for Holy Orders, unless expressly released by the Ecclesiastical Authority over him, shall report himself personally or by letter at least once in every three months, giving account of his manner of life and progress in his studies.

Result of failure to report.

[2.] Failure to make such report, not accounted for to the satisfaction of the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall be ground for striking his name from the list of Candidates.

Candidates not eligible to General Convention.

§ v. A Candidate for Holy Orders shall not be allowed to accept from any Diocesan Convention an appointment as a Lay Deputy to the General Convention.

General Provisions Concerning Candidates for Holy Orders.

§ vi. [1.] A Candidate for Holy Orders may be licensed as a Lay Reader in the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he belongs, subject to the restrictions contained in the Canon of Lay Readers.

Candidates may be licensed Lay Readers.

[2.] With the consent of his own Bishop he may receive, under similar restrictions, such license as a Lay Reader from any other Bishop for the Diocese of such Bishop only.

Lay Readers in another Diocese.

[3.] Without this license he shall not take upon himself such functions.

Restriction.

§ vii. [1.] Should the application for Holy Orders of a Candidate for the same be finally rejected by the Bishop, or should his application to the Standing Committee for recommendation for ordination be rejected, or should his name be stricken from the list of Candidates, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to give immediate notice thereof to every other Ecclesiastical Authority of this Church.

Bishop to give notice if Postulant or Candidate is rejected.

[2.] A Candidate for Holy Orders in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, whose application for ordination shall have been formally rejected as above, or whose name shall have been stricken from the list, shall not be ordained in any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, except upon renewal of candidateship, said candidateship to continue for not less than one whole year. In any case where the application of a Candidate for Holy Orders shall have been rejected by any Bishop of this Church, it shall be competent to any other Bishop to decline an application made to himself, if having duly informed himself of the facts of the case, he shall deem it expedient so to do.

Candidate rejected not to be ordained elsewhere.

Proviso.

CANON 5.

Of the Learning and Examinations of a Candidate for Deacon's Orders only.

Candidate to present himself for Examination.

§ i. A Candidate for Deacon's Orders only, who shall fail to present himself for examination within three years from the date of his admission as such Candidate, shall be liable, after due notice, to be dropped from the list of Candidates, at the discretion of the Bishop.

Bishop to assign Examiners.

§ ii. [1.] The Bishop, or, if the Diocese be vacant, the clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall assign to the Candidate his Examiners, who shall be two or more Presbyters of good learning, and (if possible) Examining Chaplains of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, and who, upon due notification of the duty laid upon them, shall proceed as speedily as may be to its performance, in accordance with the provisions of this section.

What the examination shall cover.

[2.] The examination of a Candidate for the Order of Deacons only shall be so conducted as may most thoroughly ascertain :

(a.) His proficiency in the English language.

(b.) The extent of his acquaintance with the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament, in every part of which he must be well versed.

(c.) His familiarity with the Book of Common Prayer, in all its parts and adjuncts, especially with the Order of Daily Prayer, with the text of the Articles of Religion, with the form and manner of making Deacons, and with the instructions therein given as to the duties of the office.

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(d.) His sufficiency for conducting the services of the Church, and ministering in the office of a Deacon in all its parts and functions.

[3.] If the Candidate has come from another religious body, he shall be also examined on those points in which the denomination from which he has come differs from this Church, with a view to test his information and soundness of doctrine with respect to the same.

**If Candidate
be from an-
other reli-
gious body.**

This portion of the examination shall be conducted, in part at least, by written questions and answers, and the replies shall be placed on file.

[4.] The Examiners shall report, in writing, to the Bishop (or, if the Diocese be vacant, to the clerical members of the Standing Committee) the result, making separate report upon each of the subjects appointed for examination in this Canon, and in the following form, viz.:

**Report of Ex-
aminers.**

To the Right Reverend Bishop of (or, the Clerical
Members of the Standing Committee of , as the case
may be).

Place,

Date,

We, the undersigned, Examining Chaplains of the Diocese of
(or Presbyters of the Diocese of , as the case may
be), having been assigned as Examiners of A. B., hereby certify
that we have examined the said A. B. upon the subjects prescribed
in Title I., Canon 5, Section ii. Sensible of our responsibility, we
do give our judgment as follows:

(Here specify the proficiency of the Candidate upon each of the
subjects appointed, as made apparent by the examination.)

(Signed)

[5.] The above examinations may be adjourned from time to time, at the discretion of the Exam-
iners.

**Examina-
tions may be
adjourned.**

Of the Learning and Examinations of a Candidate for Priest's Orders.

Bishop must examine.

[6.] No Bishop shall ordain any person under the provisions of this Canon, without having first at some time examined him in the presence of two Presbyters.

CANON 6.

Of the Learning and Examinations of a Candidate for Priest's Orders.

Candidate to present himself for examination.

§ i. A Candidate for Priest's Orders, not being a Deacon, who shall fail to present himself for examination for Deacon's Orders within three years from the date of his admission as such Candidate, shall be liable, after due notice, to be dropped from the list of Candidates, at the discretion of the Bishop.

Three examinations.

§ ii. There shall be assigned to every Candidate for Priest's Orders three separate examinations, to be held at such times and places, and with such adjournments from time to time, as the Examiners may appoint.

No substitute for canonical examinations.

§ iii. No examination at any theological or other literary institution shall be held to be equivalent to any one or more canonical examinations, or allowed to supersede the same; nor shall any certificate of graduation or diploma from any theological or other literary institution be held to be sufficient ground for dispensing with any part of the Diocesan examinations of a Candidate.

Bishop may invite the presenting Presbyter to attend.

§ iv. [1.] The Bishop may invite the presence and assistance of any Presbyter to whom he may propose to assign the duty of presenting the Candidate. And

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It shall be the privilege of such Presbyter to be presented should he desire it. But without such reason no one, save the Bishop, shall be permitted to be presented without the consent of the appointed Examiners.

But no Bishop shall take order for the ordination of any person to the Priesthood without having himself examined him in the presence of two or three Presbyters.

Bishop must examine.

§ v. [1.] Should the Candidate have come from another religious body, especial reference shall be had in all his examinations to the points upon which the denomination from which he has come differs from this Church.

If Candidate be from another religious body.

[2.] So far as may be practicable, and to some extent at least, this portion of the several examinations shall be conducted by written questions and answers, the replies to which shall be placed on file.

Written examinations.

§ vi. *The three examinations shall be, —*

[1.] *The first examination*, on the Books of Scripture the Candidate being required to give an account of the different Books, to translate from the original Greek and Hebrew, and to explain such passages as shall be proposed to him.

Character of first examination.

[2.] In cases of Candidates having dispensations from Latin, Greek, or Hebrew and other branches of learning not strictly Ecclesiastical, the *first examination* shall extend only to the knowledge of the text and interpretation of the English Bible, with such other matters as are comprised in what are commonly known as Introductions to the Holy Scriptures.

Candidates having dispensations.

[3.] *The second examination* shall be on the Evidence of Christianity, Christian Ethics, and Dogmatic Theology.

Second examination.

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Third examination.

[4.] *The third examination* shall be on Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, the Book of Common Prayer — its history and contents, and the Constitution and Canons of this Church, and those of the Diocese to which the Candidate belongs.

Course of study.

[5.] In all these examinations reference shall be had, as closely as possible, to the course of study established by the House of Bishops, and to the books therein recommended, or equivalent works of more recent date.

Examinations not to be lessened.

§ vii. Except for urgent or special reasons, these examinations shall not be accumulated into one.

Sermons to be presented.

§ viii. In the course of these examinations, the Candidate shall read or present three sermons composed by himself on some texts of Holy Scripture, chosen by the Bishop or by himself, as the Bishop shall have determined.

Further qualifications required.

§ ix. At any or at all of the above examinations, the Examiners may, and at some one of them shall, subject the Candidate to such proof of his ability to conduct the service of the Church in an edifying manner, and to deliver his sermons with propriety and effectiveness, as shall fully satisfy them of his competence for the public duties of the Holy Ministry.

Examiners to certify result to the Bishop.

§ x. Satisfaction given in any of these examinations shall in every case be certified to the Bishop in writing (or to the clerical members of the Standing Committee, as the case may be), with the signatures of all the Examiners, and in the following form, viz.:

Of Ordination to the Diaconate.

To the Right Reverend Bishop of (or, the Clerical
members of the Standing Committee of as the case
may be).
Place,
Date,

We, the undersigned, Examining Chaplains (or Presbyters, as the case may be) of the Diocese (or Missionary Jurisdiction) of
having been appointed Examiners of A. B., a Candidate for Priest's Orders, hereby certify that we have examined the said A. B. upon the subjects prescribed in Title I., Canon 6, and, in accordance with what we believe to be the will of the Church, as set forth in her Ordinal and Canons, and sensible of our responsibility for the evil which might come upon the Church through the admission of men insufficiently prepared for their work, we do give our judgment, as follows : (Here specify the proficiency of the Candidate on each of the subjects prescribed.)

(Signed)

§ xi. [1.] All the examinations of a Candidate for Priest's Orders may take place, if desired by the Candidate, before his ordination to the Diaconate.

Examina-
tions for
Priesthood
may prece de
ordination to
Diaconate.

[2.] The successful passage for the *first* examina-
tion shall suffice for his admission to Deacon's Orders.

CANON 7.

Of Ordination to the Diaconate.

§ i. Deacon's Orders shall not be conferred on any person under the age of twenty-one years complete.

Age for ordi-
nation.

§ ii. A Candidate for Deacon's Orders only shall not be ordained within one year from his admission as such candidate.

Candidate for
Deacon's Or-
ders only not
to be or-
dained for
one year.

§ iii. A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be made Deacon within three years from his admission as such Candidate, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the

Candidate for
Priest's Or-
ders not to be
ordained
Deacon for
three years.

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whole Standing Committee, shall shorten the time of his candidatuship, but in no case shall the time be shortened to less than six months; *Provided*, further, that in case a person who has attained the age of thirty-five years, and who has been duly confirmed and admitted to the Holy Communion in this Church, desires to become a Candidate for Priest's Orders, the Bishop may, by dispensation from the usual period of candidature, but not from any canonical examination prescribed for the Diaconate and Priesthood, and applying this dispensation on the ground of mature age and experience in speaking and teaching publicly, and being also a graduate in arts in some reputable college or university, the Bishop may, by and with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the Standing Committee, admit him at once to Deacon's Orders; *Provided*, also that he shall not be advanced to the Priesthood until the expiration of one full year from his admission to the Order of Deacons.

Recommendation from Standing Committee necessary.

§ iv. No person shall be ordained Deacon unless he be first recommended to the Bishop for ordination by the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs.

Essentials to such recommendation.

§ v. In order to such recommendation, he must first appear before the Standing Committee :

His own application.

(a.) An application therefor in writing, under his own signature, which shall state the date of his birth and his present residence.

Certificate from the Bishop.

(b.) A certificate from the Bishop by whom he was admitted a Candidate, declaring the date of his admission, and the character of his candidatuship; *Provided*, that when such certificate cannot be had, the Bishop may, by dispensation, admit him to the Order of Deacons.

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evidence, satisfactory to the Committee, shall

A certificate from at least one Presbyter of Church in good standing, and known to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in the following words, viz.:

Certificate from a Presbyter.

Standing Committee of

2,

do hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with A. B., and believe him to be well qualified to minister in the office of to the glory of God and the edification of His Church.

(Signed)

A certificate from the Minister and Vestry of Parish of which he is a member, in the following words, viz.:

Certificate from his Minister.

Standing Committee of

2,

whose names are hereunder written, do certify, from personal knowledge or from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for a space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly and justly, and hath not since the date of his admission as a candidate for Holy Orders, written, taught or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons.

(Signed)

Minister of
Vestry of

Parish

Such certificate must be attested by the Minister of Parish, or by the Clerk or Secretary of the Vestry, in the following words, viz.:

Certificate to be attested.

do hereby certify, that A. B. is a member of Parish, and a communicant in the same; that the foregoing certificate was adopted at a duly convened meeting of the Vestry, and that the names attached are those of a majority of the whole

(Signed)

Minister of
or Clerk or Secretary of Vestry.

Of Ordination to the Diaconate.

If Parish be vacant, certificate from Vestry.

§ vi. Should the Parish to which the Candidate belongs be vacant, it shall suffice if foregoing certificate be signed by the Vestry and by some Presbyter of the Diocese in good standing. But in such case, the attesting clause shall state the reason for departure from regular form.

If there be no Parish, certificate from a Presbyter and laymen.

§ vii. Should there be no organized Parish at the place of residence of the Candidate, there being such Parish, should the Candidate be unable, through circumstances not affecting his moral or religious character, to procure a certificate from the Minister and Vestry, the Standing Committee may accept a certificate in the same words, signed by one Presbyter of the Church in good standing and six respectable Laymen, communicants of this Church, the attesting clause in such case being subscribed by the Presbyter signing the certificate, or some other Presbyter of this Church known to the Committee, in the following, words, viz.

I hereby certify, that all the signatures to the foregoing certificate are genuine, and are those of communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church in good standing. I further certify, that the certificate was so signed for no reasons unfavourably affecting the moral or religious character of the candidate, but because (I give the reasons for departing from the regular form).

(Signed)

Standing Committee may then recommend.

§ viii. [1.] the Standing Committee, on the receipt of either case of the certificates prescribed as above, and having reason to believe that all other canonical requirements have been complied with, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient obstacle, physical, intellectual or moral, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the Committee consenting, proceed to recommend the Candidate for ordination by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz. :

Of Deacons.

at Reverend Bishop of
 se names are hereunder written, being a majority of the
 ding Committee of and having been duly con-
 do testify that A. B. hath laid before us satis-
 ificates that for the space of three years last past he
 piously, soberly and honestly, and hath not, since his
 as a Candidate for Orders, written, taught or held any-
 rary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant
 Church; and we hereby recommend him for admission
 ed Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have
 t our hands, this day of in the year of

(Signed)

Standing Committee of

his testimonial shall be signed by all con-
 o its adoption.

**Testimonial
to be signed.**

1.] The testimonial above prescribed having
 sented to the Bishop, and there being no
 objection to the ordination of the Candidate
 ds physical, intellectual or moral, the Bishop
 ure him to sign the declaration prescribed
 e 7 of the Constitution of this Church, and
 proceed to take order for the ordination at
 ie and place as may to him seem best,
 e preference whenever practicable to one of
 or Seasons.

**Bishop to re-
quire signa-
ture to decla-
ration in Art.
7 of Constitu-
tion.**

**To take or-
der for ordi-
nation.**

it no appointment for the ordination of any
 e shall be made until the Bishop shall have
 knowledge of the favourable action of the
 Committee.

**Standing
Committee's
assent essen-
tial.**

CANON 8.

Of Deacons.

every Deacon shall be subject to the regulation
 Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Juris-
 or which he has been ordained (or, if there

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ject to regula-
tion of
Bishop.**

Of Deacons.

be no Bishop, to that of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, acting by their President), until he receive letters dimissory therefrom to some other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and be thereupon accepted as a clergyman by such other Diocese or Jurisdiction. He shall officiate in such places only as the Bishop (or the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, as the case may be) may direct.

No transfer of Deacons.

§ ii. No Deacon who shall not have passed the Examinations for Priest's Orders, shall be transferred to another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction without the written request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the said Diocese or Jurisdiction.

Restrictions upon settlement.

§ iii. [1.] No Deacon shall be settled as a Rector over a Parish or Congregation, or permitted, except in time of war, to accept a chaplaincy in the Army or Navy.

Shall act under direction.

[2.] If appointed to minister in a Parish or Congregation of a Presbyter, he shall act under the direction of such Presbyter in all his ministrations.

Placed under authority of Presbyter.

[3.] If appointed to minister in a Parish or Congregation without a Rector, he shall, if not under the immediate direction of the Bishop, be placed under the authority of some neighbouring Presbyter, by whose directions, subordinately to the Bishop, he shall in all things be governed.

May be admitted candidate for Priest's Orders.

[4.] A Candidate for Deacon's Orders only, who has been ordained to the Diaconate, may thereafter be admitted by his Bishop a Candidate for Priest's Orders, on compliance with the provisions of Title I. Canon 3, § vii. But in such case he shall not by his

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previous examinations for the Diaconate be relieved from any of those prescribed in Title I., Canon 7, for Candidates for the Priesthood.

CANON 9.

General Provisions Relating to Ordination to the Priesthood.

§ i. Priest's Orders shall not be conferred upon any one until he shall have attained the age of twenty-four years complete. **Age for ordination.**

§ ii. No person shall be ordered Priest until he has been a Deacon one full year, except when, by the advice and consent of a majority of the whole Standing Committee, the time may be shortened. **Must have been Deacon one year.**

§ iii. A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be ordained Priest within three years from his admission as such Candidate, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the whole Standing Committee, shall shorten the time of his candidateship to not less than one year; but, in case the Candidate was not admitted a Candidate for Priest's Orders until he was a Candidate for Deacon's Orders only, or was admitted under a dispensation from any of the regular examinations, the time of his candidateship shall not be shortened to less than two years. **Must have been Candidate three years.**

Exceptions.

§ iv. A Candidate for Priest's Orders, who has been a student of theology, or minister, or licentiate, in any other body of Christians which provides thorough theological training for the Ministry, may be allowed, as part of the duration of his candidateship, by the Bishop with **If from another body of Christians.**

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the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, the period during which he may have been a student of theology, provided the time so allowed shall not exceed two years.

CANON 10.

Of Ordination to the Priesthood.

Candidate to lay before Standing Committee

Certificate from Bishop.

Certificate from two Presbyters.

§ i. A Candidate for Priest's Orders, on making application for his ordination to the Priesthood, shall lay before the Standing Committee:

(a.) A certificate from the Bishop, or if the Diocese be vacant, from the President of the Standing Committee, attesting that he is of sufficient age, and that the term of his candidateship and the time of his service in the Diaconate have been completed.

(b.) A certificate from two Presbyters in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of

Place,

Date,

We do hereby certify, that A. B., a Candidate for Priest's Orders, for the space of three years last past (or since the day of in the year , that being the date of his admission to Deacon's Orders), hath lived piously, soberly and honestly, and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. This certificate is founded on our personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the time upon evidence satisfactory to us.

(Signed)

Certificate from Vestry of Parish.

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(c.) A certificate from the Vestry of the Parish where he resides, in the following words, viz.:

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anding Committee of

those names are hereunder written, do certify, from per-
wledge, or from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B.,
age of three years last past (or since the day of in
, that being the date of his admission to the Diacon-
lived piously, soberly and honestly, and hath not written,
held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of
stant Episcopal Church. And, moreover, we think him
worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests.

(Signed)

certificate must be attested by the Minister of
ish, or by the Clerk or Secretary of the Ves-
ollows :

**Certificate to
be attested.**

by certify, that A. B. is a resident of Parish, in
the foregoing certificate was adopted at a duly convened
of the Vestry of Parish; and the names attached
of a majority of the whole Vestry.

(Signed)

*Minister of
or Clerk or Secretary of the Vestry.*

(d.) Should the Parish be vacant, or should
the Candidate be himself the Minister thereof, it
shall suffice that the foregoing certificate be
signed by a majority of the whole Vestry, and
attested by the Clerk or Secretary in the same
words as before, but with an additional clause
explanatory of the omission of the signature of
the Minister.

**If Parish be
vacant.**

(e.) Should there be no organized Parish at
the place of residence of the Candidate, or there
being such Parish, should he be unable, through
circumstances not affecting unfavourably his
moral or religious character, to procure such
certificate from the Minister and Vestry, the
Standing Committee, if the circumstances seem
to them to justify such a course, may accept a
certificate in the same words, signed by one

**If there be no
Parish.**

**Certificate
from Presby-
ter and six
laymen.**

Presbyter of this Church in good standing
six respectable Laymen, communicants of
Church, the attestation in such case being
by the Presbyter signing the certificate,
some other Presbyter of this Church, known
the Committee, and in the following words

I do hereby certify, that the Lay signatures to the foregoing certificate are genuine, and are those of Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church in good standing. I further certify that the certificate was so signed for no reason unfavourably affecting the moral or religious character of the Candidate, but because (here giving the reasons for departing from the regular form)

(Signed)

Standing Committee may recommend.

§ ii. The certificates above prescribed having presented to the Standing Committee, they may proceed to recommend the Deacon for Priest's Orders by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend

Bishop of

We, whose names are hereunder written, being a majority of the whole Standing Committee of _____, the said Committee have been duly convened at _____, do testify, that A. B., a Candidate for Priest's Orders, hath laid before us satisfactory certificates for the space of three years last past (or since the _____ day of _____ in the year _____, that being the date of his admission to Deacon's Orders), he hath lived piously, soberly and honestly, and hath not written, taught or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of this Church: and we hereby recommend him for admission to the Sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord _____

(Signed)

Standing Committee of

**Title for
Orders.**

§ iii. No person shall be ordained Priest until
shall have produced evidence satisfactory to the
Bishop that he is engaged with some Church, Parish

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or Congregation, or as a Missionary, under the Ecclesiastical Authority, of some diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, or of some Missionary Society recognized by the General Convention, or as a professor, tutor, or instructor in some college or academy, or other seminary of learning, duly incorporated, or as a chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States.

CANON 11.

General Provisions with Respect to the Preparation for Holy Orders and Admission thereto.

§ i. [1.] All certificates or testimonials, for which forms are supplied by Canon, should, in order to be valid, be in the words prescribed.

Certificates to be in prescribed form.

[2.] No Postulant, Candidate for Holy Orders, or student of theology shall sign any of the certificates prescribed in the foregoing Canons relating to Ordination.

Who may not sign.

[3.] Whenever a dated certificate or testimonial is required, the omission of the date shall render such certificate or testimonial liable to rejection.

Date required.

[4.] Whenever a substitute for a prescribed certificate is presented to a Standing Committee, the Committee shall be the sole judge as to whether the exigency justifies the substitution.

Standing Committee to judge the value of substitute for certificate.

§ ii. Whenever the testimonial of the Standing Committee is required, such testimonial must be signed at a meeting duly convened, and, in the absence of express provision to the contrary, by a majority of the whole Committee.

When Standing Committee to sign testimonial; and by how many.

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When Vestry to sign certificate.

§ iii. Whenever the certificate of a Vestry is required, such certificate must be signed by a majority of the whole Vestry, at a meeting duly convened, and the fact must be attested by the Secretary of the said Vestry or by the Minister.

To whom application for dispensation is to be made.

§ iv. Whenever any dispensation from the requirements of the Canons relating to Ordination is permitted, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, the application must be first made to the Bishop, and if he approves it, be by him referred to the Committee.

Standing Committee refusing to recommend shall give notice to the Bishop.

§ v. If, in the case of any applicant for admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, or for recommendation for ordination, a majority of the Standing Committee shall be unwilling to proceed, although the required certificates have been laid before them, and are in due form, it shall be their duty, without delay, to give to the Bishop their reasons, in writing, for refusal to recommend such applicant.

Testimonials and certificates essential to ordination.

§ vi. No Bishop of this Church shall ordain any person to officiate in any Congregation or Church destitute of a Bishop, or situated beyond the limits of the United States, until the testimonials and certificates required by the Canons relating to Ordination shall have been supplied.

§ vii. [1.] There shall be appointed in each Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, by the Ecclesiastical

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Priority thereof, two or more Examining Chaplains, shall hold their offices at the discretion of the Ecclesiastical Authority, and whose duty it shall be thoroughly to test the preparation of all such candidates for Holy Orders as may by the Ecclesiastical Authority be sent to them for that pur-

Examining Chaplains to be appointed.

The reports of the Examiners shall be in writing and attested by their signatures. If the applicant has been examined on more subjects than one, the report shall specify the result on each subject separately.

Their reports to be in writing.

iii. [1.] Agreeably to the practice of the Primitive Church, the stated times of ordination shall be Sundays following the Ember weeks.

Stated times of ordination.

But occasional ordinations may be held at other times, as the Bishop shall appoint.

May be as Bishop shall appoint.

c. Wilful violation or neglect by a Candidate of any of the provisions of the Canons relating to ordination shall be ground for refusal or postponement of his ordination.

Consequences of violating or neglecting these Canons.

CANON 12.

Of Lay Readers.

Written
license may
be given by
the Bishop.

Limitations.

Only given for
a definite
period.

License
revocable.

Restrictions.

Lay Reader
subject to the
Ecclesiastical
Authority.

§ i. A Lay Communicant of this Church may receive from the Bishop a written license to conduct the service of the Church in a Congregation convened for public worship, as a Lay Reader; but such license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a Congregation without a Minister, which is able, and has had reasonable opportunity, to secure the services of an ordained Minister. Such license may be given by the Bishop, of his own motion, for service in any vacant Parish, Congregation, or Mission; but where a Rector is in charge, his request and recommendation must have been previously signified to the Bishop. Such license must be given for a definite period not longer than one year from its date; but it may be renewed from time to time by the Bishop's indorsement to that effect. The license of any Lay Reader may be revoked at the discretion of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

§ ii. A Lay Reader so licensed shall not act as such in any Diocese other than his own, unless he shall have received another license from the Bishop of the Diocese in which he desires to serve. If he be a student in any Theological Seminary, he shall also obtain the permission of the presiding officer of such institution.

§ iii. Every Lay Reader shall be subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority. In all matters relating to the conduct of the service, and to the Sermons or Homilies

Of Deaconesses.

to be read, he shall conform to the directions of the Minister in charge of the Parish, Congregation, or Mission in which he is serving, or, where there is no Minister in charge, to the directions of the Bishop. He shall not use the Absolution, nor the Benediction, nor the Offices of the Church, except those for the Burial of the Dead, and for Visitation of the Sick and of Prisoners, omitting in these last the Absolutions and Benedictions. He shall not deliver Sermons of his own composition; but he may deliver addresses, instructions, and exhortations as a catechist in vacant Parishes, Congregations, or Missions, if he be specially licensed thereto by the Bishop. He shall not assume the dress appropriate to Clergymen ministering in the Congregation.

And the Minister in charge.

Directions and restrictions.

CANON 13.

Of Deaconesses.

§ i. Unmarried women of devout character and proved fitness may be appointed to the office of Deaconess by any Bishop of this Church.

Deaconesses may be appointed.

§ ii. The duty of a Deaconess is to assist the Minister in the care of the poor and sick, the religious training of the young and others, and the work of moral reformation.

Duties.

§ iii. No woman shall be appointed to the office of Deaconess until she shall be at least twenty-five years of age, nor until she shall have laid before the Bishop testimonials certifying that she is a communicant in good standing of this Church, and that she possesses

Qualifications.

Of Deaconesses.

Testimonial. such characteristics as, in the judgment of the persons testifying, fit her for at least one of the duties above defined. The testimonial of fitness shall be signed by two Presbyters of this Church, and by twelve lay communicants of the same, six of whom shall be women. The Bishop shall also satisfy himself that the applicant has had an adequate preparation for her work, both technical and religious, which preparation shall have covered the period of two years.

Authority required for work. § iv. No Deaconess shall accept work in a Diocese without the express authority, in writing, of the Bishop of that Diocese; nor shall she undertake work in a Parish without the like authority from the Rector of the Parish.

Under oversight. § v. When not connected with a Parish the Deaconess shall be under the direct oversight of the Bishop of the Diocese in which she is canonically resident. A Deaconess may be transferred from one Diocese to another by letter dimissory.

May resign her office. § vi. A Deaconess may at any time resign her office to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese in which she is at the time canonically resident; but no Deaconess, having once resigned her office, shall be re-appointed thereto, unless there be, in the judgment of the Bishop of the Diocese where she resigned her office, weighty cause for such re-appointment.

May be suspended. § vii. The Bishop shall have power, for cause, after a hearing granted, to suspend or remove a Deaconess from her office.

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§ viii. No woman shall act as a Deaconess until she has been set apart for that office by an appropriate religious service, to be prescribed by the General Convention, or, in the absence of such prescription, by the Bishop.

Set apart by religious service.

CANON 14.

Of Ministers Ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church.

§ i. A Clergyman coming from a foreign country, and professing to have been ordained out of the United States by a foreign Bishop in communion with this Church, or by a Bishop consecrated for a foreign country by Bishops of this Church under Article 10 of the Constitution, or by a Missionary Bishop elected to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or places out of the United States, shall, before he be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation, exhibit to the Minister, or if there be no Minister to the Vestry thereof, a certificate signed by the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee duly convened, that his letters of Holy Orders and Letters Testimonial of recent date are authentic, and given by some Bishop in communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowledged by this Church; and also that he has exhibited to the Bishop or Standing Committee satisfactory evidence of his pious and moral character, and of his theological acquirements; and in any case, before he shall be permitted to settle in any Church or Parish, or be received into union with any Diocese of this Church as a Minister thereof,

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Certificate.

Of Ministers Ordained in Foreign Countries, etc.

Letter
dismissory.

he shall produce to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee thereof, a letter of dismissal from under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese he has been last connected; which letter shall be, in substance, that provided for in Canon 18, Section vii., of this Title, and shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof; and when such Clergyman shall have been so received, he shall be considered as having passed entirely from the jurisdiction of the Bishop from whom the letter of dismissal was brought, to the full jurisdiction of the Bishop or other Ecclesiastical Authority by whom it shall have been accepted, and become thereby subject to all the canonical provisions of this Church: *Provided*, that no such Clergyman shall be so received into union with any Diocese until he shall have subscribed, in the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese in which he applies for reception, and of two or more Presbyters, the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution; which being done, said Bishop or Standing Committee, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him into union with this Church as a Minister of the same: *Provided, also*, that such Minister shall not be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church, as canonically in charge of the same, until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his letter of dismissal.

Subscription.

One year's
residence.

Foreign
Deacons.

§ ii. And if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall reside in this country at least one year, and obtain in this country the requisite testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.

CANON 15.

Of the Admission of Ministers ordained by Bishops not in Communion with this Church.

When a Deacon or Priest ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall apply to a Bishop for admission into the same as a minister thereof, he shall produce a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church stating that, from personal knowledge of the party, or satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the communion to which he has belonged, has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the ministry in this Church; and he shall also, not less than six months after his application, in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, subscribe the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution; which being done, the Bishop, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him as such Minister.

Ministers ordained by Bishops not in Communion with this Church shall produce certificate.

Shall subscribe declaration in Art. 7.

CANON 16.

Of Ministers Officiating in a Foreign Language.

When a Clergyman, coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly ordained, shall be called to a Church of this communion in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language, he may, with the approbation of the Bishop of the Diocese in which such Church is situated, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Com-

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May settle.

mittee, or with the unanimous consent of the Standing Committee if there be no Bishop, and on complying with the other requisitions of the Canons, settle in the said Church, as the Minister thereof, without having resided one year in the United States, anything in these Canons to the contrary notwithstanding.

CANON 17.

Of Persons not Ministers in this Church officiating in any Congregation thereof.

Evidence of being a Minister in this Church necessary for officiating.

No Minister in charge of any Congregation of this Church, or, in case of vacancy or absence, no Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, shall permit any person to officiate therein, without sufficient evidence of his being duly licensed or ordained to minister in this Church: *Provided*, that nothing herein shall be so construed as to forbid communicants of the Church to act as Lay Readers.

Proviso.

Title I., Canon 11, Sections i. and ii. are hereby repealed: *Provided*, that such repeal shall not affect any case of a violation of said Canon committed before this date; but such case shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.

CANON 18.

General Regulations of Ministers and their Duties.

Election and institution of Ministers.

§ i. [1.] It is hereby required that, on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to

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the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect:

We, the Churchwardens [*or, in case of an Assistant Minister, We, the Rector and Churchwardens*], do certify to the Right Rev. [*naming the Bishop*], or to the Rev. [*naming the President of the Standing Committee*], that [*naming the person*] has been duly chosen Rector [*or, Assistant Minister, as the case may be*] of [*naming the Parish or Church*].

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of those who certify.

[2.] If the Bishop or the Standing Committee be satisfied that the person so chosen is a qualified Minister of this Church, the Bishop, or the President of the Standing Committee, shall transmit the said certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.

Certificate to be transmitted for record.

[3.] And if the Minister be a Presbyter, the Bishop, or President of the Standing Committee, may, at the instance of the Vestry, proceed to have him instituted according to the Office established by this Church, if that Office be used in the Diocese. But if he be a Deacon, the act of institution shall not take place until after he shall have received Priest's Orders. This provision concerning the use of the Office of Institution is not to be considered as applying to any congregation destitute of a house of worship.

Concerning institution.

§ ii. No Minister, removing from one Diocese or Missionary District to another, shall officiate as the Rector, Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to

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which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate in the words following:

I hereby certify that the Rev. A. B. has been canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a minister in regular standing.

Parochial Instruction.

§ iii. [1.] The Ministers of this Church who have charge of parishes or cures, shall not only be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, but shall also, by stated catechetical lectures and instruction, be diligent in informing the youth and others in the Doctrine, Constitution, History, and Liturgy of the Church. They shall also diligently instruct all in their cures concerning the missionary work of the Church at home and abroad, and offer suitable opportunities for contributions from time to time for the maintenance of that work.

Alms and Contributions.

[2.] The Alms and Contributions at the Administration of the Holy Communion shall be deposited with the Minister of the Parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.

Duty on Episcopal visitations.

One month's notice.

§ iv. [1.] It shall be the duty of Ministers to prepare young persons and others for the holy ordinance of Confirmation. And on notice being received from the Bishop of his intention to visit any Church, which notice shall be at least one month before the intended visitation, the Minister shall give immediate notice to his parishioners, individually, as opportunity may offer, and also to the Congregation on the first occasion of public worship after the receipt

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f said notice. And he shall be ready to present for confirmation such persons as he shall think properly qualified, and shall deliver to the Bishop a list of the names of those confirmed. **List of names.**

[2.] And at every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Churchwardens or Vestry, to give information to the Bishop of the state of the Congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them in the notice given as foresaid. **Duty to give information**

[3.] And further, the Ministers and Churchwardens of such Congregations as cannot be conveniently visited in any year, shall bring or send to the Bishop, at the stated meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, information of the state of the Congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them at least one month before the meeting of the Convention. **Parochial Reports.**

§ v. [1.] Every Minister of this Church shall keep Register of Baptisms, Confirmations, Communicants, Marriages, and Funerals, within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the Diocese where his cure lies; and if none such be provided, then in such manner as in his discretion he shall think best suited to the uses of such register. **Parish Register to be kept.**

[2.] The intention of the Register of Baptisms is hereby declared to be, as for other good uses, so especially for the proving of the right of the Church-membership of those who may have been admitted into this Church by the holy ordinance of Baptism. **Register of Baptisms.**

[3.] Every Minister of this Church shall make out

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List of Families.

and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure, to remain for the use of his successor, to be continued by him, and by every future Minister in the same Parish.

Officiating of Ministers within the cures of others

§ vi. [1.] No Minister belonging to this Church shall officiate, either by preaching, reading prayers, or otherwise, in the Parish, or within the parochial cure, of another Clergyman, unless he have received express permission for that purpose from the Minister of the Parish or cure, or, in his absence, from the Churchwardens and Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, or a majority of them.

Parish boundaries not otherwise defined,

[2.] Where Parish boundaries are not defined by law, or settled by Diocesan authority under Title III., Canon 3, Section ii. of this Digest, or are not otherwise settled, they shall, for the purposes of this Section, be defined by the civil divisions of the State, as follows:

to be certain civil divisions of the State.

Parochial boundaries shall be the limits, as now fixed by law, of any village, town, township, incorporated borough, city, or the limits of some division thereof which may have been recognized by the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, as constituting the boundaries of a Parish.

Recognized by the Bishop.

If but one Church.

If there be but one Church or Congregation within the limits of such village, town, township, borough, city, or such division of a city or town as herein provided, the same shall be deemed the parochial cure of the Minister having charge thereof. If there be two or more Congregations or Churches therein, it shall be deemed the cure of the Ministers

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thereof, and the assent of a majority of such Ministers shall be necessary ; but nothing in this Canon shall be construed to prevent any Clergyman of this Church from officiating in any Parish Church or in any place of public worship used by any Congregation of this Church, or elsewhere within the parochial cure of the Minister of the said Congregation, with the consent of the Clergyman in charge of such Congregation ; or, in his absence, of the Churchwardens and Vestrymen or Trustees of such Congregation, or of a majority of them.

If two or more Churches.

The consent necessary for officiating.

When, under Diocesan authority, a new Parish is constituted, and its boundaries defined, this Section shall be applicable to the same as so established.

A new Parish.

[3.] If any Minister of the Church, from inability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services in his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other Minister of the Church to officiate within his cure, the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of such Congregation shall, on proof of such neglect or refusal before the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, before the Standing Committee, or before such persons as may be deputed by him or them, or before such persons as may be, by the regulations of this Church in any Diocese, vested with the power of hearing and deciding on complaints against Clergymen, have power, with the written consent of the before-mentioned authority, to open the doors of their Church to any regular Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Neglect of Minister.

[4.] This Canon shall not affect any legal rights of property of any Parish.

Rights of property undisturbed.

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Of Clerical
Residence
and Removal.

§ vii. [1.] A Minister of this Church removing into the jurisdiction of any Bishop or other Ecclesiastical Authority, shall, in order to gain canonical residence within the same, present to said Ecclesiastical Authority a testimonial from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he last resided, which testimonial shall set forth his true standing and character. The said testimonial shall be given by the Bishop to the applicant, and a duplicate thereof may be sent directly to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which said minister proposes to remove. The testimonial may be in the following words:

Letter Dimissory.

“I hereby certify that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the Ecclesiastical Authority of _____, is a Presbyter (or Deacon) of _____, in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report, for error in religion, or viciousness of life, for three years last past.”

When to
affect Canon-
ical Resi-
dence.

[2.] All such testimonials shall be called Letters Dimissory. The canonical residence of the Minister so transferred shall date from the acceptance of his Letter Dimissory, of which the accepting Bishop shall give prompt notice both to the applicant and to the Bishop from whom it came. If not presented to the Bishop within six months from the date of its transmission to the applicant, it shall become thereby wholly void.

When void.

When Letter
shall be ac-
cepted.

[3.] If a Minister, removing into another Diocese who has been called to take charge of a parish or congregation, shall present a Letter Dimissory in the

Of Bishops.

From above given, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he has removed, to accept it within six months, unless the Bishop or Standing Committee should have heard arguments, that he or they believe to be well founded, against the character of the Minister concerned, which would form a proper ground of canonical inquiry and resentment, in which case the Ecclesiastical Authority shall communicate the same to the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese to whose jurisdiction the said minister belongs; and, in such case, it shall not be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to accept the Letter Dimissory unless and until the minister shall be exculpated from the said charges.

When declined.

[4.] It shall be the duty of all ministers to obtain and present letters of transfer as above described, whenever they remove from one Diocese or Missionary District to any other Diocese or Missionary District, whether Domestic or Foreign, and remain there for a space of six months. This provision shall not apply to Professors in any institution of learning, Officers of the Board of Missions, and Chaplains of the Army and Navy of the United States. But no minister, who shall have taken up his residence in a Diocese to which he has not been canonically transferred, shall be competent to minister therein without the license of the Bishop.

Letters required.

Exceptions.

Unless Canonically transferred license is required.

CANON 19.

Of Bishops.

§ i. [1.] To entitle a Diocese to the choice of a Bishop, by the Convention thereof, there must be,

Election of Bishops.

Of Bishops.

Six Presby-
ters and six
Parishes.

Two or more
Dioceses
uniting.

First proviso.

Second
proviso.

What is a
settlement.

at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, at least six officiating Presbyters therein, regularly settled in a Parish or Church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop, and six or more Parishes represented in the Convention election. But two or more adjoining Dioceses, not having respectively the requisite number of Presbyters entitle either to the choice of a Bishop, may associate and proceed to the choice of a Bishop, to exercise jurisdiction alike in each of the associated Dioceses, if there be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, nine or more such Presbyters residing in any part of such associated Dioceses, qualified as aforesaid; and a Bishop, so elected, shall exercise Episcopal jurisdiction over each of the associated Dioceses, until such time as some one of such Dioceses, having six or more Presbyters canonically qualified to elect a Bishop, shall elect him, and he shall have accepted the office as its own exclusive Diocesan; whereupon his connection with the other associated Dioceses or Dioceses shall cease and determine: *Provided* always, that the Dioceses thus associated in the election of a common Bishop, and the Convention thereof, shall, in all other respects, remain as before, unconnected and independent of each other, and *Provided*, also, that such association shall be dissolved on the demise of the Bishop, if not before.

[2.] A Minister is settled, for all purposes here or elsewhere mentioned in these Canons, who has been engaged permanently by any Parish, according to the rules of said Diocese, or for any term not less than one year.

Of Bishops.

§ ii. [1.] Every Bishop elect, before his consecration, shall produce to the House of Bishops, from the Convention by whom he is elected, evidence of such election; and, from the House of Deputies in General Convention, evidence of their approbation of his testimonials, and of their assent to his consecration; and also certificates, respectively, in the following words; such certificates, in both cases, to be signed by a constitutional majority of the members of the Diocesan Convention, or of the House of Deputies, as the case may be. The same evidence of election by, and the same certificate from, the members of the Diocesan Convention, shall be presented to the House of Deputies in General Convention.

Certificates to be produced by the Bishop elect.

Testimony from the Members of the Convention in the Diocese from whence the person is recommended for consecration.

Testimony from Diocesan Convention.

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we do, in our conscience, believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners, and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honour of God, and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

The above certificate shall be presented to the House of Deputies in General Convention.

Of Bishops.

**Testimony
from House of
Deputies.**

Testimony from the House of Deputies in General Convention.

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness of life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office, but that he hath, as we believe, led his life, for three years last past, piously, soberly, and honestly.

**Notification
of consent to
consecration
to be given.**

[2.] If the House of Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent; and, on notice of his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

**Order to be
taken for the
consecration.**

**Consecration
during recess.**

§ iii. [1.] If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their president, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, in case

**Consent of
Standing
Committees.**

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of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States, excepting those whose resignations have been accepted; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent; and, on his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

Consent of Bishops.

[2.] The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Deputies in General Convention; and, without the aforesaid requisites, no consecration shall take place during the recess of the General Convention; but in case the election of a Bishop shall take place within three months before the meeting of the General Convention, all matters relative to the consecration shall be deferred until the said meeting.

Evidence of consent.

No consecration within three months of General Convention.

§ iv. No man shall be consecrated a Bishop of this Church until he shall be thirty years old.

Age.

§ v. When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of old age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, or by reason of the extent of his Diocese, to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Bishop Coadjutor may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall, in all cases, succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him: *Provided*, that before the election

Bishop Coadjutor.

Of Bishops.

Bishop shall state the duties he assigns.

No Suffragan Bishop.

Of Domestic Missionary Bishops.

Mode and evidence of election.

of a Bishop Coadjutor for the reason of extent of Diocese, the consent of the General Convention, or during the recess thereof, the consent of a majority of the Bishops and of the several Standing Committees, must be had and obtained. Prior to any election of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Bishop of the Diocese shall consent in writing to such election, and in such consent he shall state the duties which he thereby assigns to the Bishop Coadjutor when duly elected and consecrated. And in case of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue the aforesaid consent to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee of the Diocese may request the Convention to issue such letter of consent. And the request of the said Standing Committee shall be accompanied by medical certificates of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue such written consent. No person shall be elected or consecrated a Suffragan Bishop, nor shall there be more than one Bishop Coadjutor in a Diocese at the same time.

§ vi. [1.] The House of Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in States or Territories, or parts thereof, not organized into Dioceses. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Deputies, in the form required by Section ii. of this Canon, to be given by the members of Diocesan Conventions on the recommendation of Bishops elect for consecration, which certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

[2.] The Bishop or Bishops so elected and conse-

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crated, shall exercise Episcopal functions in such States and Territories, or parts thereof, in conformity with the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and under such regulations and instructions, not inconsistent therewith, as the House of Bishops may prescribe; and the House of Bishops may, at any time, increase or diminish the number of States or Territories, or parts thereof, over which the said Bishop or Bishops shall exercise Episcopal functions.

Exercise of Episcopal functions.

Extent of Jurisdiction.

[3.] In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of vacancy by other cause, the charge of the vacant Missionary Jurisdiction shall devolve on the senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge.

Vacancy.

[4.] The jurisdiction of this Church extending in right, though not always in form, to all persons belonging to it within the United States, it is hereby enacted that each Missionary Bishop shall have jurisdiction over the Clergy in the district assigned him. Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint two Presbyters, and two Laymen communicants of this Church, resident within his Missionary Jurisdiction, to perform the duties of a Standing Committee for such jurisdiction, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed: *Provided*, that no Standing Committee constituted under this Section shall have power to give or refuse assent to the consecration of a Bishop.

Jurisdiction over Clergy, and mode of exercising it.

Power to appoint a Standing Committee.

Proviso.

[5.] He shall, for the due administration of his jurisdiction, select the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of this Church, which shall remain in force, as far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction, until it shall be erected into a Diocese, and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

The Constitution and Canons of the Jurisdiction.

[6.] In case a presentment and trial of a Clergy-

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Proviso.

man become proper, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee may make presentment: *Provided*, that the Court shall be composed of at least three Presbyters; and if there be not a sufficient number of qualified Presbyters within his jurisdiction (excluding the members of the Standing Committee, and the accused), the said Missionary Bishop may call to his aid Presbyters of any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction sufficiently near.

Entitled to seat in the House of Bishops. Eligible as a Diocesan. Power upon the organization of a Diocese.

[7.] Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and shall be eligible to the office of Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States. And whenever a Diocese shall have been organized within the jurisdiction of such Missionary Bishop, if he shall be chosen Bishop of such Diocese, he may accept the office without vacating his Missionary appointment: *Provided*, that he continue to discharge the duties of Missionary Bishop within the residue of his original jurisdiction, if there be such residue.

Proviso.

Report to General Convention, and to the Board of Missions.

[8.] Every such Bishop shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church within his Missionary Jurisdiction; and, at least once a year, make a report to the Board of Missions.

Of Foreign Missionary Bishops.

§ vii. [1.] The House of Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any Missionary station or stations of this Church out of the Territory of the United States, which the House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, may have designated. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Deputies, expressing their assent to the

Evidence of Election.

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said nomination, which certificate shall be in the following form :

**Testimony
from House of
Deputies.**

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the Reverend A. B., nominated by the House of Bishops to the House of Deputies for election to the Bishopric of the Missionary District of _____, as a suitable person to be elected a Bishop of this Church in foreign lands, has been duly and canonically elected by the House of Deputies as Bishop aforesaid, on this _____ day of _____ A. D. _____. And we whose names are hereunto subscribed, members of the House of Deputies, do hereby testify that the said Reverend A. B., Missionary Bishop elect of _____, is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office.

We do, therefore, hereby severally signify our assent to the said nomination and election, humbly trusting that the consecration of the said Bishop elect will conduce to the edification and enlargement of the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Done at _____, in General Convention of the Church in the United States, on this _____ day of _____ A. D. _____.

This certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

[2.] Any Bishop elected and consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or country which may have been thus designated, shall have no jurisdiction, except in the place or country for which he has been elected and consecrated. He shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, but shall not become a Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States, unless with the consent of three fourths of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and also of three fourths of the Deputies present at the Session of the General Convention, or, in the recess of the General Convention, with

**Limitation of
jurisdiction.**

**Shall have a
seat in the
House of
Bishops.
Restriction
upon eligibil-
ity as a Dio-
cesan.**

Of Bishops.

the consent of the Standing Committees of three fourths of the Dioceses.

Mode of presenting and trying.

[3.] Any Bishop or Bishops consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall, on presentment by two thirds of the Missionaries under his charge, for immorality or heresy, or for a violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, be tried, and, if found guilty, sentenced, in all particulars as if he were actually resident within the limits of the United States, except that the trial may be within any Diocese in the United States.

Power to ordain Deacons or Presbyters.

[4.] Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, or any Bishop to whom the exercise of Episcopal powers and functions in a foreign Church or Congregation shall have been assigned by the Presiding Bishop, may ordain as Deacons or Presbyters, to officiate within the limits of their respective Missions, or in such foreign Church or Congregation, any persons, of the age required by the Canons of this Church, who shall exhibit to him or them the testimonials required by Canons 6 and 8 of this Title, signed by not less than two of the ordained Missionaries of this Church who may be subject to his or their charge, or by two Presbyters of this Church, in good standing, connected with such foreign Church or Congregation.

Testimonials necessary in such case.

Proviso.

Provided, nevertheless, that if there be only one ordained Missionary attached to the Mission, or only one Presbyter of this Church connected with such foreign Church or Congregation, and capable of acting at the time, the signature of a Presbyter

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good standing under the jurisdiction of any bishop in communion with this Church may be admitted to supply the deficiency.

[5.] Any Foreign Missionary Bishop consecrated under this Section, or heretofore consecrated, may, and with the advice of two Presbyters, one of whom, if necessity require, shall be a Presbyter in good standing under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church, dispense with those studies required from a Candidate for Deacon's orders by the Canons of this Church: *Provided*, that no person shall be ordained by him who has not passed a satisfactory examination, in the presence of two Presbyters, as to his theological learning and aptitude to teach; and *Provided*, further, that no person shall be ordained by him until he shall have been a candidate for at least three years. Nor shall any Deacon, so ordained, be advanced to the order of Presbyters, who has not been in Deacon's orders for at least one year. Nor shall any Deacon or Priest, who shall have been ordained under this section, be allowed to hold any cure, or officiate in the Church in these United States, until he shall have complied with existing Canons relating to the training of persons to be ordained.

Power of dispensation.

Proviso.

Proviso.

Restrictions.

[6.] Any Foreign Missionary Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall have jurisdiction and government according to the Canons of this Church over all Missionaries or Clergymen of this Church, resident in the district or country for which he or they may have been consecrated.

Jurisdiction over resident Missionaries or Clergymen.

Of Bishops.

Bishop shall appoint Standing Committee.

May act as Ecclesiastical Authority in Bishop's absence.

Trial of Ministers.

Proviso.

The Court.

[7.] Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint a Standing Committee consisting of not less than two nor more than five Presbyters resident within his jurisdiction, and, if he shall find it practicable and advisable, of an equal number of lay communicants, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. This Standing Committee shall have, so far as the circumstances of the jurisdiction permit, the powers and duties provided for by the Constitution and Canons that have been adopted for the government of such jurisdiction. It shall be lawful for any foreign Missionary Bishop about to be absent from his jurisdiction for more than three months to authorize by writing under his hand and seal the Standing Committee to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Missionary Jurisdiction. In case of the death or resignation of a Foreign Missionary Bishop, or of vacancy by other cause, the vacant Missionary Jurisdiction shall devolve on the Senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge.

[8.] If any Minister of this Church, acting under a Foreign Missionary appointment, and within the jurisdiction of a Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, shall commit any offence which comes within the Provisions of Title II., Canon 2, *Of Offences for which Ministers may be tried and punished*; or shall refuse obedience to the lawful authority of the Missionary Bishop, such Clergyman shall be proceeded against according to the Constitution and Canons of any Diocese of this Church which may have been selected at the time of the appointment of the Standing Committee of such Missionary Jurisdiction: *Provided*, that a presentment shall first be made by the members of said Standing Committee, or, if the accused party be a member of the Standing Committee, by the other member or members thereof.

[9.] The Court for the trial of such Minister shall consist of five Presbyters, excluding the mem-

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bers of the Standing Committee; or, if there be not five, then of all the members of such Missionary Jurisdiction. If there be more than five, then shall the Standing Committee select, by lot, the five who shall compose the Court, which Court shall proceed in the trial, according to the Canons of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church so far as the same may be applicable to such a case; and where no provision is made adequate to the exigency, the Court shall consider and adjudge the case according to the principles of law and equity.

[10.] The sentence of the Court shall be rendered to the Bishop of such Missionary Jurisdiction, who shall have power to revise and modify the same, and the decision of the Bishop shall be final and conclusive. **Sentence.**

[11.] Every Bishop elected and consecrated under this Section, or Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall report to each General Convention his proceedings and acts, and the state of the Mission under his supervision. He shall also make a similar report at least once a year to the Board of Missions of this Church. **Report to be made to General Convention and Board of Missions.**

§ viii. [1.] When a Diocese, entitled to the choice of a Bishop, shall elect as its Diocesan a Missionary Bishop of this Church, if such election shall have taken place within three months before a meeting of the General Convention, evidence thereof shall be laid before each House of the General Convention, and the concurrence of each House, and its express consent, shall be necessary to the validity of said election, and shall complete the same; so that the **Election of a Missionary Bishop as a Diocesan.** **Concurrence of General Convention.**

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Bishop thus elected shall be thereafter the Bishop of the Diocese which has elected him.

Election during recess.

[2.] If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz.: The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing shall give duly certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction within the United States; which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopal thereof of the Bishop thus elected, and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other ways as they may think proper.

Consent of Bishops and Standing Committees.

Notice of election.

Of Episcopal charges and Pastoral letters.

§ ix. It is deemed proper that every Bishop of this Church shall deliver, at least once in three years, a charge to the Clergy of his Diocese, unless prevented by reasonable cause. And it is also deemed proper that, from time to time, he shall address to the people of his Diocese Pastoral Letters on some points of Christian doctrine, worship, manners.

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§ x. [1.] Every Bishop in this Church shall visit the Churches within his Diocese at least once in three years, for the purpose of examining the state of his Church, inspecting the behaviour of his Clergy, administering the Apostolic rite of Confirmation, ministering the Word, and, if he think fit, administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the people committed to his charge. And if a Bishop shall decline, for more than three years, to visit a Parish or Congregation, for reasons which to him shall seem sufficient, it shall be the duty of the Rector or Minister, and Vestry, or of one of them, to apply to the Presiding Bishop, to appoint the five Bishops in charge of Dioceses, who live nearest to the Diocese in which such Church or Congregation may be situated, to act as a Council of Conciliation, who shall amicably determine all matters of difference between the parties, and each party shall conform to the decision of the Council in the premises. If the Presiding Bishop shall be the party within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, then the application shall be made to the Bishop next in seniority. And in any such case as is above mentioned, the Bishop within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, may, at any time, if he please, apply himself to the Presiding Bishop, for a Council of Conciliation: *Provided*, that if, by the action of the General Convention, any Canon shall hereafter be made for the establishment of a Council or Councils of Conciliation, for the general purpose of amicably reconciling differences of this or any other kind, then such a case as is above named shall be referred to such general

Of Episcopal
visitations.

Declining to
visit.

Council of
Conciliation.

Proviso.

Of Bishops.

Council of Conciliation, and the parties shall at by its decision.

Clergy to supply the Bishop's Parish.

[2.] To enable the Bishop, who may be Rector a Church, to make his official visitation, it shall the duty of the Clergy, in such reasonable rotat as may be devised, to officiate for him in the performance of his parochial duties, provision be made for the payment of their expenses.

Expenses of visitation.

[3.] It is left to each Diocese to make provision in such way as it may deem proper, for defraying necessary expenses of the Bishop's visitation.

Register to be kept.

[4.] The Bishop shall keep a register of his proceedings at every visitation of his Diocese.

Of Episcopal residence.

§ xi. It is the duty of every Bishop of this Church to reside within his Diocese.

Of Bishops absent temporarily from their Dioceses.

§ xii. It shall be lawful for any Bishop of a Diocese who is about to leave, or has left, his Diocese with the intention of going out of the limits of the United States, or, if remaining out of his Diocese the space of three calendar months although without leaving the United States, to authorize, by writing under his hand and seal, the Bishop Coadjutor, should there be none, the Standing Committee of such Diocese, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof. The Bishop Coadjutor or Standing Committee so authorized, shall thereupon become Ecclesiastical Authority of such Diocese, to the intents and purposes, until such writing shall be revoked, or the Bishop shall return within the Diocese: *Provided*, that nothing in this Canon shall be so construed as to prevent any Bishop who may have signed such writing from exercising his jurisdiction.

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self, so far as the same may be practicable, during his absence from his Diocese, or from permitting authorizing any other Bishop to perform Episcopal offices for him.

xiii. The Bishop of each Diocese may compose forms of prayer or thanksgiving, as the case may require, for extraordinary occasions, and transmit to each Clergyman within his Diocese, whose duty it shall be to use such forms in his Church on extraordinary occasions. And the Clergy in those States or Territories or other places within the bounds of this Church in which there is no Bishop, may use the forms of prayer or thanksgiving composed by the Bishop of any Diocese. The Bishop in each Diocese may also compose forms of prayer to be used before legislative and other public bodies.

Forms of prayer or thanksgiving for extraordinary occasions.

xiv. [1.] Any Bishop, Bishop Coadjutor, or Missionary Bishop may, on the invitation of the Convention or the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, or where the Bishop is for the time under a disability to perform Episcopal offices by reason of a judicial sentence, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof; and this invitation may be temporary, and it may at any time be revoked.

Performance of Episcopal duties in vacant Dioceses, etc.

[2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of

Invitation temporary and revocable.

Full charge of another Bishop.

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the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or having Bishop disabled: until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated the same; and, in the case of a Diocese where a Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed; or until, in either case, the act of the Convention be revoked.

No other Bishop to officiate during such charge.

[3.] No Diocese, while under the provision in charge of a Bishop, shall invite any other Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty or exercise authority.

Of Episcopal resignations.

§ xv. [1.] If, during the session of the General Convention, or within six calendar months before the meeting of any such Convention, a Bishop shall desire to resign his jurisdiction, he shall make known, in writing, to the House of Bishops such his desire, together with the reasons moving him thereto; whereupon the House of Bishops may investigate the whole case of the proposed resignation, including not only the facts and reasons that may be set forth in the application for the proposed resignation, but any other facts and circumstances bearing upon it, so that the whole subject of propriety or necessity of such resignation may be placed fully before the House of Bishops.

Investigation.

House of Bishops to accept or refuse.

[2.] An investigation having thus been made, the House of Bishops may decide on the application, and, by a vote of a majority of those present, accept or refuse to accept such resignation; and in cases of a proposed resignation, the Bishops shall cause their proceedings to be recorded on the journal; and in case of acceptance, the resignation shall be complete when thus recorded; and

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notice thereof shall be given to the House of Deputies.

[3.] In case a Bishop should desire to resign at any period not within six calendar months before the meeting of a General Convention, he shall make known to the Presiding Bishop such his desire, with the reasons moving him thereto; whereupon the Presiding Bishop shall communicate, without delay, a copy of the same to every Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical jurisdiction, and also to the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which the Bishop desiring to resign may belong; and, at the same time, summon said Bishops to meet him in person, at a place to be by him designated and at a time not less than three calendar months from the date of his summons; and should a number not less than a majority of all the said Bishops meet at the time and place designated, they shall then have all the powers given by the previous clauses of this Section to the House of Bishops; and should a number less than a majority assemble, they shall have power to adjourn from time to time, until they can secure the attendance of a majority of all the said Bishops. Should a proposed resignation of a Bishop be accepted at any meeting of the Bishops for that purpose held during a recess, then it shall be the duty of the Senior Bishop present to pronounce such resignation complete, and to communicate the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese, who shall cause the same to be communicated to the several Clergymen in charge of congregations therein. And it shall be the further duty of the Presiding Bishop to cause such resignation to be

Resignation during recess.

The Bishops to meet.

Notice.

Record.

Of Bishops.

If Presiding Bishop.

formally recorded on the Journal of the House of Bishops that may meet in General Convention next thereafter. If the Bishop desirous of resigning should be the Presiding Bishop, then all the duties directed in this Section to be performed by the Presiding Bishop shall devolve upon the Bishop next in seniority.

Resigned Bishop not eligible to a Diocese.

[4.] No Diocesan or Bishop-Coadjutor whose resignation has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical jurisdiction, within the limits of his Diocese. Any Bishop whose resignation by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled.

Bishops resigning on account of age to retain all their rights and precedences.

Bishops without charge subject to General Convention.

[5.] A Bishop who ceases to have the Episcopal charge of a Diocese shall still be subject in all matters to the Canons and authority of the General Convention.

Resignation of suspended Bishop.

[6.] In case a suspended Bishop of this Church should desire to resign at any period not within six calendar months before the meeting of a General Convention, he shall make known by letter to the Presiding Bishop such desire; whereupon the Presiding Bishop shall communicate a copy of the same to each Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction;

Of Bishops.

and, in case a majority of such Bishops shall return to the Presiding Bishop their written assent to such resignation, the same shall be deemed valid and final; and written information of the said resignation shall at once be communicated by the Presiding Bishop to the Bishop and Diocese concerned, and to each Bishop of this Church. **Notice.**

§ xvi. [1.] If during the recess of the General Convention, and more than six months previous to its session, any vacancy arise, either by death, resignation, or other cause, in the office of any Missionary Bishop of this Church (whether Domestic or Foreign), or in case the General Convention shall have, by concurrent resolution, given consent to the election during said recess of a Missionary Bishop for a designated Missionary Jurisdiction, the House of Bishops shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention; and thereupon may proceed to fill any and every such vacancy that may then exist, by electing a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions within the district, country, territory, station, or jurisdiction, where such vacancy or vacancies may exist; and in case of such election, they shall, by the Presiding Bishop, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the fact of such election to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses; and each Standing Committee that shall consent to the proposed consecration shall forward the evidence of such consent to the Presiding Bishop or Bishop as aforesaid. And if the major number of the Standing Committee shall con- **Vacancy in Missionary Jurisdiction during the recess.** **The House of Bishops to meet, and elect.** **Notice of election to be communicated.**

Of a List of the Ministers of this Church.

Majority of Standing Committees to consent.

Majority of Bishops to consent.

Consecration.

Form of the consent of Standing Committees.

Rights of Missionary Bishops thus consecrated.

Subject to General Convention.

sent to the proposed consecration, the Presiding or other Bishop as aforesaid shall forward copies of the evidence of such consent to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States (excepting those whose resignation has been accepted); and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to perform the same.

[2.] The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Deputies in General Convention; and without the aforesaid requisites no consecration shall take place of any Missionary Bishop elected during the recess of the General Convention.

[3.] Every Bishop elected and consecrated under this Section shall have the several functions, jurisdiction, powers, and rights granted by any Canon or Canons of this Church to Missionary Bishops, whether Domestic or Foreign, according as such Bishop shall be elected to be a Domestic or a Foreign Missionary Bishop; and shall in all matters be subject to the Canons and authority of the General Convention.

§ xvii. This Canon shall take effect immediately

CANON 20.

Of the Mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church.

Statement by Ministers in Parochial Reports.

§ i. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church, or if the parish be vacant the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or

Mode of Securing an Accurate View, etc.

before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or where there is no Bishop to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants in his Parish or Church; also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in his Parish; also of the amount of the Communion alms, the contributions for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign, for Parochial Schools, for Church purposes in general, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

**Clergymen
not settled to
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vices.**

§ ii. At every Annual Diocesan Convention, the Bishop shall deliver an Address, stating the affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as Candidates for Orders, and of those who have been ordained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese; which address shall be inserted on the journals.

**Bishop's
Address.**

§ iii. At every General Convention, the journals of the different Diocesan Conventions, since the last General Convention, together with such other papers, viz., Episcopal charges, addresses, and pastoral letters, as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church in each Diocese, shall be presented to the House of Deputies. A Committee shall then be

**Journals, etc.,
to be pre-
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Of the Mode of Publishing the Bible.

**Committee
on the state
of the
Church.**

**Pastoral
Letter,**

**to be read to
every Con-
gregation.**

**Duty of Dio-
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**Diocesan Sec-
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appointed to draw up a view of the state of the Church, and to make report to the House of Deputies; which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with the request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church. And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a pastoral charge, when any such Letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship.

§ iv. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, or of the person or persons with whom the journals or other Ecclesiastical papers are lodged, to forward to the House of Deputies, at every General Convention, on or before the first Monday of the session, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

§ v. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention in every Diocese to prepare immediately after the adjournment of the meeting of the Diocesan Convention next preceding the Session of every General Convention, a list of the Clergy canonically resident therein and of persons admitted since the previous General Convention to the Order of Deacons or Priests and of persons deposed from the sacred ministry and of clergy that have died, and also a condensed report and a tabular review of the state of the Church in said Diocese, comprising therein a summary of the statistics from the parochial reports, and from the Bishop's addresses, specifying as far as possible the capital and proceeds of the Episcopal fund and of the funds of all benevolent and missionary associations of Churchmen within the Diocese, and promptly to forward the same to the Secretary of the House of Deputies for the purpose of aiding the Committee of the State of the Church, appointed by the House of Deputies in drafting their report.

Of the Standard Book of Common Prayer.

§ vi. All incorporated schools, all parochial schools, all academies and colleges, and all hospitals, asylums for orphans or other children of either sex, maintained at the expense, or conducted under the management of members of this Church, are expected to report annually to the Bishop of the Diocese at the annual Convention, such reports to be disposed of as the parochial reports; and at every General Convention the tabular view of the state of the Church in each Diocese, and the report of the Committee on the state of the Church shall include the results of such reports.

Church Schools, Colleges, Hospitals, etc., to report annually.

To be included in Triennial Report.

CANON 21.

Of the Mode of Publishing Authorized Editions of the Standard Bible of this Church.

The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or where there is no Bishop the Standing Committee, is authorized to appoint, from time to time, some suitable person or persons to compare and correct all new editions of the Bible by the standard edition agreed upon by the General Convention, and a certificate of their having been so compared and corrected shall be published with said book.

Editions of the Bible to be corrected by the Standard.

Certificate.

CANON 22.

Of the Standard Book of Common Prayer.

§ i. The copy of the Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, according to the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David; the Form of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, and an Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of

What is the Standard Prayer Book.

Of the Standard Book of Common Prayer.

Religion, set forth by the General Convention of this Church, in the year of our Lord 1892, and authenticated by the signatures of the presiding officers and secretaries of the two Houses of General Convention, and by the signatures of the members of the Joint Committee charged with the duty of preparing and submitting to the Convention a Standard Prayer Book, is hereby declared to be the Standard Book of Common Prayer of this Church.

All copies to conform to the Standard.

§ ii. All copies of the Book of Common Prayer to be hereafter made and published shall conform to this Standard, and shall agree therewith in paging, and, so far as it is possible, in all other matters of typographical arrangement, except that the rubrics may be printed either in red or in black. The requirement of uniformity in paging shall apply only to that portion of the book which begins with the Order for the Daily Morning Prayer, and ends with the Psalter, and shall not extend to editions smaller than those known as 24mo, or to editions noted for music.

Inaccuracies corrected.

§ iii. In case any typographical inaccuracy shall be found in the Standard Book of Common Prayer, its correction may be ordered by a joint resolution of any General Convention, and notice of such correction shall be communicated by the Custodian to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese of this Church, and to actual publishers of the Book of Common Prayer.

Copies of Standard to be sent to Dioceses.

§ iv. Copies of this folio Standard Book of Common Prayer, duly authenticated as in the case of the Standard Book, shall be sent, when issued, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese or Jurisdiction in trust for the use thereof, and for reference and appeal in questions as to the authorized formularies of this Church.

§ v. No copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer shall be made, printed, published, or used as

Of the use of the Book of Common Prayer.

of authority in this Church unless it contain the authorization of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, certifying that he or some person appointed by him has compared the said copy or edition with the said Standard or a certified copy thereof, and that it conforms thereto.

All copies must be authorized.

§ vi. The House of Bishops shall nominate a person who, after confirmation by the House of Deputies, shall be appointed the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer and shall have charge of the same. He shall hold office until his successor is appointed, and any vacancy occurring during the recess of General Convention may be provisionally filled by appointment of the Presiding Bishop. It shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese or Jurisdiction in which any unauthorized edition of the Book of Common Prayer or any part or parts thereof shall be published or circulated, to give public notice that the said edition is not of authority in this Church.

Custodian to be appointed.

Unauthorized editions.

§ vii. This Canon shall take effect immediately.

CANON 23.

Of the Due Celebration of Sundays.

All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation.

Observance of the Lord's Day.

CANON 24.

Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer.

§ i. Every Minister shall, before all sermons and lectures, and on all other occasions of public worship, use the Book of Common Prayer, as the same is or may be established by the authority of the General

The Prayer Book to be used.

Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer.

Convention of this Church : and in performing such service no other prayers shall be used than those prescribed by the said Book.

§ ii. [1.] If any Bishop have reason to believe, or if complaint be made to him in writing by two or more of his Presbyters, that within his jurisdiction ceremonies or practices not ordained or authorized in the Book of Common Prayer, and setting forth or symbolizing erroneous or doubtful doctrines, have been introduced by any Minister during the celebration of the Holy Communion (such as,

1. The elevation of the Elements in the Holy Communion in such manner as to expose them to the view of the people as objects toward which adoration is to be made.

2. Any act of adoration of or toward the Elements in the Holy Communion, such as bowings, prostrations, genuflections; and

3. Any like acts not authorized by the Rubric of the Book of Common Prayer :)

It shall be the duty of such Bishop to summon the Standing Committee as his Council of Advice, and cause to be investigated the matter.

If, after investigation, it shall appear to the Standing Committee that ceremonies or practices not ordained or authorized as aforesaid, and symbolizing erroneous or doubtful doctrines, have in fact been introduced as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, by instrument of his hand, to admonish the Minister not to continue such practices or ceremonies : and if the Minister shall disregard such admonition,

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Provided, That nothing herein contained shall **Proviso.**
event the presentment, trial, and punishment of
y Minister under the provisions of Title II., Canon
Section i. of the Digest.

[3.] In all investigations under the provisions of **The accused**
is Canon, the Minister whose acts or practices are **Minister to be**
e subject-matter of the investigation, shall be noti- **notified.**
ed, and have opportunity to be heard in his defence.
he charges preferred, and the findings of the Bishop
d Standing Committee, shall be in writing, and a **Record to be**
cord shall be kept of the proceedings in the case. **kept.**

CANON 25.

Of Church Music.

§ i. The Hymns which are set forth by authority, **Hymns and**
nd Anthems in the words of Holy Scripture, are al- **Anthems**
owed to be sung in all Congregations of this Church **which may be**
efore and after Morning and Evening Prayer, and **sung.**
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the Minister, whose duty it shall be, by stand-
g directions, or from time to time, to appoint
ch authorized Hymns, or Anthems as are to be
ng.

§ ii. It shall be the duty of every Minister of this **The Minister**
urch, with such assistance as he may see fit to **to give order**
mploy from persons skilled in music, to give order **concerning**
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Of the Consecration of Churches.

Church, and especially it shall be his duty to suppress all light and unseemly music, and all indecency and irreverence in the performance by which vain and ungodly persons profane the service of the sanctuary.

CANON 26.

Of the Consecration of Churches.

Building and ground to be paid for before consecration.

Proviso.

Bishop's consent necessary to the incumbrance or alienation of a consecrated church.

§ i. No Church or Chapel shall be consecrated until the Bishop shall have been sufficiently certified that the building and ground on which it is erected have been fully paid for, and are free from lien or other incumbrance; and also that such building and ground are secured, by the terms of the devise, or deed, or subscription by which they are given, from the danger of alienation, either in whole or in part, from those who profess and practise the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, except in the cases provided for in Sections ii. and iii. of this Canon: *Provided*, that this shall not preclude the alienation of lots for burial in vaults or otherwise, nor apply to land owned by the Church corporation and not necessary for religious uses.

§ ii. It shall not be lawful for any Vestry, Trustees, or other body authorized by law of any State or Territory, to hold property for any Diocese, Parish, or Congregation, to incumber or alienate any consecrated Church or Chapel without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese

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in which such Church or Chapel be situated: *Provided*, that this section shall not be operative in any State with the laws of which, relating to the title and holding of property by religious corporations, the same may conflict.

§ iii. No consecrated Church or Chapel shall be removed, taken down, or otherwise disposed of for any "unhallowed, worldly, or common use," without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which such Church or Chapel may be situate.

Consent
necessary in
other in-
stances.

Title II.

OF DISCIPLINE.

CANON 1.

Of Amenability and Citations.

To whom
Ministers are
amenable.

§ i. EVERY Minister shall be amenable, for offences committed by him, to the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop to the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, of the Diocese in which he is canonically resident at the time of the charge.

Mode of serving
citations.

§ ii. Unless a Diocesan Convention shall otherwise provide, a citation to any Minister to appear, at a certain time and place, for the trial of an offence shall be deemed to be duly served upon him if a copy thereof be left at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day of appearance named therein ; and in case such Minister has departed from the United States, by also publishing, six months before the said day of appearance, a copy of such citation in some newspaper printed at the seat of government of the State in which the Minister is cited to appear.

Of notices in
general.

§ iii. A notice or citation required by any Canon of this Church, when no other mode of service is provided, may be served by leaving a copy with the party, or at his last place of abode within the United States ; and if he shall have left the United States

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also publishing a copy thereof in some newspaper printed at the seat of government of the State or territory where such party last resided.

§ iv. It is hereby declared to be the duty of all members of this Church to attend and give evidence, when duly summoned to do so, in any Ecclesiastical trial or investigation under the authority of this church.

Duty to give Evidence.

§ v. In the case of a Clergyman convicted in any court of record, of any crime or misdemeanor involving immorality, or against whom a judgment has been recorded in any court of record, in a cause involving immorality, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he canonically belongs, to institute an inquiry into the matter. If, in their judgment, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to see that he be presented, for trial.

Of cases of conviction in courts of record.

CANON 2.

Of Offences for which Ministers may be Tried and Punished.

§ i. Every Minister of this Church shall be liable to presentment and trial for the following offences, to-wit:

Punishable offences.

[1.] Crime or immorality.

[2.] Holding and teaching publicly or privately, and advisedly, any doctrine contrary to that held by

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the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

[3.] Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention.

[4.] Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese to which he belongs.

[5.] Any act which involves a breach of his Ordination vows.

[6.] And for conduct unbecoming a Clergyman of this Church.

And, on being found guilty, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, according to the Canons of the Diocese in which the trial takes place, until otherwise provided for by the General Convention.

**Proceedings
on public
rumor.**

§ ii. If a Minister of this Church shall be accused by public rumor, of habitually neglecting the exercise of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship, or of the Holy Eucharist according to the Offices of the Church, or of being guilty of any or either of the offences enumerated in Section i., it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, to cause that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumor. And, in case of the individual being proceeded against and convicted according to the rules or process as may be provided by the Constitutions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or deposed, as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective Constitutions and Canons.

Punishments.

CANON 3.

If a Clergyman in one Diocese or Missionary District chargeable with Misdemeanor in another.

§ i. If a Clergyman of this Church, belonging to any Diocese or Missionary District, shall have convicted himself in any other Diocese or Missionary District in such a way as to be liable to presentment under the provisions of Title II., Canon 2, the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof shall give notice of the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority where he is canonically resident, exhibiting, with the information given, reasonable ground for presuming its correctness. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, when thus notified, shall omit, for the space of three months, to proceed against the offending Clergyman, shall request the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to proceed against him, it shall be within the power of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District within which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to institute proceedings according to the mode provided by the Convention thereof; and the decision given shall be conclusive.

Offence committed in a different Diocese.

Notice to authority of offender's Diocese.

Proceedings on neglect to act.

§ ii. If a Clergyman shall come temporarily into any Diocese, under the imputation of having elsewhere been guilty of any crime or misdemeanor, by violation of the Canons or otherwise, or if any Clergyman, while sojourning in any Diocese, shall behave in any of these respects, the Bishop,

Bishop may admonish and forbid officiating.

Of the Dissolution of a Pastoral Connection.

Notice of prohibition.

Prohibition, how long to continue.

Applicable to Clergymen ordained in foreign countries.

Notice of prohibition.

upon probable cause, may admonish such Clergyman, and forbid him to officiate in said Diocese. And if, after such prohibition, the said Clergyman so officiate, the Bishop shall give notice to all the Clergy and Congregations in said Diocese, that the officiating of the said Clergyman is, under any and all circumstances, prohibited; and like notice shall be given to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, of the Diocese to which the said Clergyman belongs. And such prohibition shall continue in force until the Bishop of the first-named Diocese be satisfied of the innocence of the said Clergyman, or until he be acquitted on trial.

§ iii. The provisions of the last Section shall apply to Clergymen ordained in foreign countries by Bishops in communion with this Church: *Provided*, that in such case notice of the prohibition shall be given to the Bishop under whose jurisdiction the Clergyman shall appear to have last been, and also to all the Bishops exercising jurisdiction in this Church.

CANON 4.

Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations, and of the Dissolution of a Pastoral Connection.

Resignation or removal of a Rector.

§ i. A Rector, canonically elected and in charge, or an Instituted Minister, may not resign his Parish without consent of the said Parish or its Vestry (if the Vestry be authorized to act in the premises): nor may such Rector or Minister be removed therefrom by said Parish or Vestry against his will, except as hereinafter provided.

Of the Dissolution of a Pastoral Connection.

§ ii. In case any urgent reason or reasons should occasion a wish in a Rector or Minister as aforesaid, or in the Parish committed to his charge, to bring about a separation and a dissolution of all pastoral relation between such Minister and Parish, and the parties be not agreed in respect of such separation and dissolution, notice of such desire and disagreement may be given by either party to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, in writing. And in case of any difference between the Minister and Parish or Vestry as aforesaid, which may not be satisfactorily settled by the godly judgment of the Bishop alone, or which he may decline to consider without counsel, the Bishop (or if the Diocese be vacant, any Bishop selected by the Ecclesiastical Authority), acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, or with that of the Presbyters only of said Standing Committee (if both parties shall assent to such arbitration in writing), shall be the ultimate arbiter and judge; and refusal to accept and comply with the arbitration and judgment on the part of the Minister aforesaid, shall not work a continuance of lawful and canonical Rectorship or settlement beyond the date fixed, conditionally or otherwise, or its termination by such arbitration and judgment, should such termination be recommended and required; but such pastoral connection shall, unless otherwise agreed by the parties, cease and terminate therein required. But such refusal shall subject the Minister so refusing to inhibition by the Bishop aforesaid from all ministerial offices and functions

Separation and dissolution of Pastoral connection.

Differences, how to be settled.

Penalties for refusal to comply with arbitration.

Of Renunciation of the Ministry.

within the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction; such refusal on the part of a Parish shall disqualify it from representation in the Convention of the Diocese until it shall have been declared by Ecclesiastical Authority to have given satisfactory guaranties for the acceptance of and compliance with the arbitration and judgment.

Record of regular dissolution.

§ iii. In case of the regular and canonical dissolution of the connection between a Minister and congregation, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee, shall direct the Secretary of the Convention to record the same. But if dissolution of the connection between a Minister and his Congregation be not regular or canonical, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall lay the same before the Convention of the Diocese, in order that the above-mentioned penalties may take effect.

When not obligatory.

§ iv. This Canon shall not be in force in any Diocese which has made, or shall hereafter make, provision by Canon upon this subject, nor in any Diocese with whose laws or charters it may interfere.

CANON 5.

Of Renunciation of the Ministry.

Renunciation when no Ecclesiastical proceeding is pending.

§ i. If any Minister of this Church, against whom there is no ecclesiastical proceeding instituted, shall declare, in writing, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs, his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to

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astical Authority to record the declaration so made; and thereupon it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, of any Bishop who, being requested by the Standing Committee, shall consent to act in the matter, to depose such person from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Clergymen, that the person so declaring has been deposed from the Ministry of this Church: *Provided, however,* that if the Bishop shall be satisfied that the person so declaring is not amenable for any canonical offence, and that his renunciation of the Ministry is not occasioned by foregoing misconduct or irregularity, but is voluntary and for causes, assigned or known, which do not affect his moral character, he shall so declare in pronouncing and recording said deposition, and shall, if desired, give a certificate to this effect to the person so deposed; and he shall also give due notice of such deposition from the Ministry to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, in the form in which the same is recorded.

Bishop to depose.

Proviso.

Notice of deposition.

§ ii. If the Ecclesiastical Authority shall have reason to believe that the person so declaring has acted hastily and unadvisedly, action on such declaration may be postponed for the space of not more than six months, during which time such person may withdraw his application.

Action may be suspended for six months.

§ iii. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, to whom such declaration is made, shall have ground to sup-

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pose that the person making the same is liable to presentment for any canonical offence, such person may, in the discretion of the said Ecclesiastical Authority, be put upon trial for such offence, notwithstanding such declaration of renunciation of the Ministry.

CANON 6.

Of the Abandonment of the Communion of this Church by a Presbyter or Deacon.

Abandonment without renunciation.

Certificate.

§ i. If any Presbyter or Deacon shall, without availing himself of the provisions of Canon 5 of this Title, abandon the Communion of this Church, by an open renunciation of the doctrine, discipline, or worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, or in any other way, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make certificate of the fact to the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent Diocese; which certificate shall be recorded, and shall be taken and deemed by the Ecclesiastical Authority as equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Minister himself, and the said Bishop may then proceed to suspend for six months the Presbyter or Deacon so certified as abandoning the Communion of this Church. Notice shall be given to the said Minister by the said Bishop receiving the certificate, that, unless he shall within six months make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry of this Church.

Clergyman absenting himself from his Diocese.

§ ii. And if such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose said Minister from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, that he has been so deposed: *provided*, nevertheless, that if the Minister so renouncing shall transmit to the Bishop receiving the certificate a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may at his discretion abstain from any further proceedings.

**Deposition
after six
months.**

**Proviso, of
retraction.**

CANON 7.

Of a Clergyman absenting himself from his Diocese.

When a Clergyman has been absent from the Diocese to which he belongs during five years without reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof, he shall be required by the Bishop to declare the cause or causes thereof in writing; and if he refuse to give his reasons, or if they be deemed insufficient by the Bishop, the Bishop may, with the advice and consent of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, suspend him from the Ministry; which suspension shall continue until he shall give, in writing, sufficient reasons for his absence; or until he shall renew his residence in his Diocese; or until he shall renounce the Ministry according to Canon 5 of this Title. In the case of such suspension as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop.

**Absence for
five years,
when ground
of suspension.**

**Duration of
sentence.**

**Notice to be
given.**

CANON 8.

Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by a Bishop.

Abandonment
of Communion by a
Bishop.

If any Bishop, without availing himself of the provisions of Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., abandon the Communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, or otherwise, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of said Bishop to make certificate of the fact to the Presiding Bishop, together with a statement of the acts or declarations which prove such abandonment, which certificate shall be recorded by the Presiding Bishop, and the Presiding Bishop, with the consent of the three Bishops next in seniority, shall then suspend said Bishop from the exercise of his office and ministry until such time as the House of Bishops shall consent or refuse to consent to his deposition; and in case the Bishop so abandoning the Communion of the Church be the senior Bishop, the Bishop next in the order of seniority shall be deemed to be and shall act as the Presiding Bishop under this Canon.

Notice to be
given.

Notice shall then be given to said Bishop by the Bishop receiving the certificate, that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, and shall demand a trial, he will be deposed from the Ministry. And if such declaration be not made within six months, as

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CANON 9.

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to which he belongs. 5. Any act which
a breach of his Ordination or Consecration

[1.] The proceedings shall commence by **Charges in**
in writing; and, except when the charge is **writing.**

Of the Trial of a Bishop.

By whom to be signed.

holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, shall be signed by either

Five male communicants of this Church, in good standing, belonging to the Diocese of the accused, of whom two at least must be Presbyters; or,

By seven male communicants of this Church, in good standing, of whom two at least shall be Presbyters, and three of which seven shall belong to the Diocese of the accused.

Action on rumors.

[2.] Whenever a Bishop of this Church shall have reason to believe that there are in circulation rumors, reports, or charges affecting his moral or religious character, he may, if he please, acting in conformity with the written advice and consent of any two of his brother Bishops whom he may select, demand of the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or if he be the Bishop affected by such rumors, or if he be related to him within the degrees hereinafter mentioned, then to the Bishop next in seniority not so related, to convene a Board of Inquiry in the mode hereinafter set forth, to investigate such rumors, reports, and charges, and to proceed, in all respects, according to the provisions of this Canon, as if charges had been formally made in either of the two modes first mentioned in this Section.

If advised by two Bishops.

Accusers may choose a lay advocate and agent.

[3.] Whenever charges are formally made in either of the modes first above mentioned, the accusers may, if they choose, select a lay communicant of this Church, of the profession of the law, to act as their adviser, advocate, and agent, in preparing the accusation, proofs, etc., until such time as the Board of Inquiry is convened in such manner as

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after provided for; or they may prepare such as themselves, without regard to any particular and, in either case, the grounds of accusation be set forth with reasonable certainty of time, and circumstance.

Reasonable certainty of charges.

The charges, having been prepared in either modes first above mentioned, shall then be red to the Presiding Bishop, if he be not the d, nor related to the accused in any degree oned hereinafter in this Canon; in either of cases the charges shall be delivered to the Bishop in seniority not so related.

To whom to be delivered.

A Board for making a preliminary inquiry charges thus preferred, shall be constituted as s, whenever such Board shall be necessary,

Board of Inquiry.

The Presiding Bishop, or senior Bishop, as se may be, to whom such charges are delivered, ake the list of Clerical and Lay Deputies to st General Convention that was held before charges were presented, and from that list shall e by lot two Presbyters and two Laymen from eputation of the Diocese of the accused, wo Presbyters and two Laymen from each of espective deputations of the three Dioceses ing that of the accused; and if there be not adjoining, of the three nearest thereto; and if than three Dioceses adjoin that of the accused, three that have the largest number of canoni- resident Presbyters in them shall be accounted ing, for the purposes of this Canon; and the en individuals thus selected by lot shall consti-

How con-stituted.

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tute the Board of Inquiry, a majority of whom shall form a quorum for doing business.

Notice to members.

[2.] The Presiding Bishop, or next in seniority, as the case may be, immediately after thus selecting by lot the Board of Inquiry, shall give notice thereof to each member of said Board, and direct him to attend, at a time and place designated by him, and organize the Board; and it shall be the duty of each member so to attend. The place must be within the Diocese of the accused. The Presiding Bishop shall, at the same time, send a copy of the charges to the senior Presbyter of those thus selected by lot from the four Dioceses.

Place of meeting.

Copy of charges to be sent.

Organization of the Board.

Office of Church Advocate.

[3.] On assembling, the Board shall organize by choosing from among themselves a President and Secretary, and shall also appoint a Church Advocate, who must be a lay communicant of this Church, and of the profession of the law, and who thenceforward shall, in all stages of the proceedings, if a trial be ordered, represent the Church, and be the party on the one hand, while the accused is the party on the other. The sittings of the Board shall be private; the Church Advocate shall not attend as prosecuting counsel, but shall be at all times at hand and in readiness to give his advice in all questions submitted to him by the Board.

Sittings to be private.

Duty of the Board.

[4.] In conducting the investigation, the Board shall hear the accusations, and such proof as the accusers may produce, and shall determine whether, upon matters of law and of fact, as presented to them, there is sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop upon his trial; and in such investigation, as well as in all cases of trial by an Ecclesiastical Court

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authorized, or hereafter to be authorized, by the constitution or Canons of the General Convention, of the State in which such investigation or trial had, so far as they relate to the law of evidence shall be adopted and taken as the rules by which the said Board or Court shall be governed. A majority of the Board present on such investigation shall be of opinion that there are sufficient grounds to put the accused Bishop upon his trial, shall direct the Church Advocate to prepare a presentment, to be signed by such of the Board as shall thereto; and to that end shall place in his hands all the charges, together with the testimony which has been laid before the Board.

Rules of evidence those of the State in which the trial is had.

Presentment

The Board shall then direct the Church Advocate to transmit to the Bishop from whom they received the charges, the presentment thus signed; and shall cause him also, without delay, to send to the accused Bishop a copy of the same, certified by the Church Advocate to be correct.

Copies of presentment to be sent.

If a majority of the Board present shall be of opinion that there is not sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop upon his trial, in such case the Board, together with a certificate of the President of the Board of its refusal to make a presentment, shall be sent to the Secretary of the House of Representatives, to be deposited among the archives of that body. And no proceedings shall thereafter be had by way of presentment on such charges, except upon the affidavit of a respectable communicant of the Church of the discovery of new testimony as to the facts charged, and setting forth what such new testimony is.

Refusal to present.

Certificate of refusal.

Bar to future presentment.

Exception.

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**Limitation
of time.**

**Conviction in
a State court.**

**Notice to ac-
cused upon
presentment,**

**and to Church
Advocate.**

**Formation of
the Court.**

[7.] No presentment shall be found in any case, unless the alleged offence shall have been committed within five years next before the day on which the charges were delivered to the Presiding or senior Bishop. But if the accused shall have been convicted of the alleged offence in a State court, notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since its commission, a presentment may be founded on charges delivered to the Presiding or senior Bishop, at any time within one year after such conviction.

§ v. [1.] When a presentment has been made by the Board of Inquiry, or a majority thereof, to the Bishop from whom they receive the charges, it shall be the duty of such Bishop forthwith to give to the accused written notice to attend, at some place not more than one hundred miles from the place of residence of the accused Bishop, and at some time not less than twenty days after the time of serving such notice, either personally, or by some agent authorized by him in writing to act for him in the premises, for the purpose of selecting the Bishops who shall form the Court for the trial of the said accused Bishop upon the said presentment. He shall also give notice to the Church Advocate of the time and place appointed for such selection.

[2.] At the time and place appointed in the notices, the Bishop who has given the notices shall attend; and, in the presence of the accused Bishop, or of his agent authorized as aforesaid, and also in the presence of the Church Advocate, or of such

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person or persons as may attend in his behalf, or, if no person shall attend on behalf of one or both, of two Presbyters named by himself, the said Bishop shall cause to be placed in a vessel the names of all the Bishops of this Church entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, then being within the territory of the United States, except the accused and those Bishops who may be related to him either by consanguinity or affinity, in the direct ascending or descending line, or as brother, uncle, or nephew. He shall then cause eleven of the said names to be drawn. The names so drawn shall be entered upon a list as they are drawn, and the accused, or his agent, may strike off the list one name, and the said Church Advocate, or his agent, another name, and so on alternately, until the number be reduced to seven. If it shall happen that either party shall neglect or refuse to strike, then the Bishop who has given the notices shall reduce the number to seven by striking off so many of the last drawn names as will reduce the list to that number. The seven Bishops whose names remain, or a majority of them, when assembled, shall constitute the Court for the trial of the accused upon the presentment.

Eleven names
to be drawn.

Eleven re-
duced to
seven.

[3.] The Court having been thus constituted, the Bishop to whom the presentment was made shall immediately communicate to each Bishop who has thus been by lot designated as one of the triers, the fact that he is a member of the Court. He shall also appoint a time and place for the assembling of the Court. The time shall not be less than ~~three~~ or more than six calendar months from the

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members of
the Court.

Appointment
of time and
place.

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a State court.

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and to Church
Advocate.

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some agent authoriz-
him in the premises,
the Bishops who shall
of the said accused Bi-
ment. He shall also
Advocate of the time and
selection.

[2.] At the time and
notices, the Bishop who has
attend; and, in the presence
or of his agent authorized as
the presence of the Church

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affirmation, and transmit it under seal to the

But no deposition shall be read at the trial, the Court have reasonable assurance that the presence of the witness cannot be procured, or both parties shall consent that it may be read:

1, that in any Diocese in which the civil Government has authorized the Ecclesiastical Courts to issue summons for witnesses, or to administer oaths, the Court shall act in conformity to

On what condition depositions to be read.

Proviso.

notices and papers may be served by a clerk or summoners, to be appointed by the Court when the same is in session, or by a member of the Court. The certificate of any such summoner of the due service of a notice or of service by any other person, the Court may receive by the affidavit of such person.

Service of notices and papers.

Certificate of service.

If a written notice or paper to the accused is delivered to the Church Advocate, or leaving it with him, at the residence, or last known address, shall be deemed sufficient service. If a notice or paper on the Church Advocate is delivered to him respectively. If the person to be served with a notice or paper shall have left the United States, sixty days before his appearance, or other act required, is to be performed.

Mode of service.

if he think proper, he should choose to be represented by the Church Advocate named by the

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day on which the notice should arrive at the most distant Diocese, in the ordinary course of the public mail. The place shall be within the Diocese or Missionary field of the accused Bishop, unless where the same may be of such difficult access, in the judgment of the Presiding or senior Bishop, that reasonable convenience may require the appointment of another location. And the said senior Bishop shall cause the Church Advocate to send certified copies of the said presentment to all the Bishops who constitute the Court.

**Certified
copies.**

**Summons of
the accused.**

[4.] The Bishop to whom the presentment has been made shall also immediately communicate to the accused the names of the members of the Court, and inform him of the time and place appointed for its meeting, and summon him then and there to appear and answer. He, or any other Bishop of this Church having charge of a Diocese, shall have power, until the Court assembles, upon the application of either the Church Advocate or the accused, to issue a summons for witnesses.

**Power to
summon
witnesses.**

**Course of
proceeding on
the trial.**

§ vi. The Bishops who constitute the Court, or a majority of them, having assembled according to the notice given them, which notice it is hereby made their duty to obey, shall proceed as follows, viz.:

President.

Clerk.

[1.] They shall elect a President out of their own number, and appoint a Presbyter of the Church as Clerk, and, if necessary, another Presbyter as Assistant Clerk; and when thus organized, the President shall direct the Clerk to call the name of the Church Advocate and the accused; and i

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appear, he shall then cause the Clerk to read the presentment which was delivered to the Presiding Bishop, whose duty it is hereby made to bring the same to the Court upon its organization. The accused shall then be called upon by the Court to say whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence or offences charged against him, and his plea shall be duly recorded; and on his neglect or refusal to plead, the plea of not guilty shall be entered for him, and the trial shall proceed: *Provided*, that if sufficient cause, the Court may adjourn the trial from time to time: and *Provided*, also, that the accused shall, at all times during the trial, have counsel to be present, and in due time and order to make his testimony, and to make his defence. If the accused neglect or refuse to appear in person according to the notice served on him as required by law, except for some reasonable cause to be shown to the Court, they shall proceed to pronounce him in contumacy, and notify him that a sentence of suspension or degradation will be pronounced against him by the Court at the expiration of three months, unless within that time he tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and take part in the trial on the presentment. But if the accused does not tender himself before the expiration of the said three months, sentence of suspension or degradation from the Ministry may be pronounced against him by the Court. The accused being present, and the trial being commenced, it shall be conducted according to the rules of the common law, as the same are now administered in the United States; nor

Reading the presentment.

The call to plead.

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Non-appearance.

Contumacy.

Three months' grace to appear.

The common law the rule of proceeding.

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shall any testimony be received at the trial, except from witnesses who have signed a declaration in the following words, to be read aloud before the witness testifies, and to be filed with the records of the Court.

Declaration of witness, in writing, before testifying.

I, A. B., a witness summoned to testify on the trial of a presentment against the Right Rev. ———, a Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, now pending, do most solemnly call God to witness that the evidence I am about to give shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth; so help me God!

Depositions when attendance cannot be procured.

And if it be necessary to take the testimony of an absent witness on a commission, such testimony shall be preceded by a similar written declaration of the witness, which shall be filed and transmitted with his or her deposition to the Court. The testimony of each witness shall be reduced to writing. And in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of any witness on the trial cannot be obtained, it shall be lawful for either party to apply to the Court, if in session, or if not to any member thereof, who shall thereupon appoint a commissary to take the deposition of such witness; and such party so desiring to take the deposition shall give to the other party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking such deposition, accompanying such notice with the interrogatories to be propounded to the witness; whereupon it shall be lawful for the other party, within six days after such notice, to propound cross-interrogatories; and such interrogatories and cross-interrogatories, if any be propounded, shall be sent to the commissary, who shall thereupon proceed to take the testimony of such witness, upon

Commissary.

Cross-examination.

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oath or affirmation, and transmit it under seal to the Court. But no deposition shall be read at the trial, unless the Court have reasonable assurance that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, or unless both parties shall consent that it may be read: *Provided*, that in any Diocese in which the civil government has authorized the Ecclesiastical Courts therein to issue summons for witnesses, or to administer an oath, the Court shall act in conformity to such laws.

On what condition depositions to be read.

Proviso.

[5.] All notices and papers may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed by the Court, when the same is in session, or by a member thereof; and the certificate of any such summoner shall be evidence of the due service of a notice or paper. In case of service by any other person, the fact may be proved by the affidavit of such person. The delivery of a written notice or paper to the accused party, or to the Church Advocate, or leaving it, or a copy thereof, at the residence, or last known residence, of either, shall be deemed sufficient service of such notice or paper on the Church Advocate and accused, respectively. If the person to be served with any notice or paper shall have left the United States, it shall be a sufficient service thereof to leave a copy of such notice or paper at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day in which the appearance, or other act required by the said notice or paper, is to be performed.

Service of notices and papers.

Certificate of service.

Mode of service.

[6.] The accused party may, if he think proper, have the aid of counsel; and if he should choose to have more than one counsel, the Church Advocate may have assistant advocates, to be named by the

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Counsel to be communicants.

Court to express opinion on each charge and specification.

Decision to be reduced to writing and signed.

Accused to be heard before sentence.

accusers ; but in every case the Court may regulate the number of counsel who shall address the Court, or examine witnesses. The Church Advocate shall be considered the party on one side, and the accused on the other. All counsel must be communicants of the Church.

[7.] The Court, having fully heard the allegations and proofs of the parties, and deliberately considered the same, after the parties have withdrawn, shall declare respectively whether, in their opinion, the accused is guilty or not guilty of each particular charge and specification contained in the presentment in the order in which they are set forth ; and the accused shall be considered as not guilty of every charge and specification of which he shall not be pronounced guilty by a majority of the members of the Court.

[8.] The decision of the Court as to all the charges and specifications of which a majority of the members of the Court have found him guilty, shall be reduced to writing, and signed by those who assent to it ; and the decision thus signed shall be regarded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be pronounced in the presence of the parties, if they shall think proper to attend.

[9.] If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or specification, the Court shall proceed to ask him whether he has anything to say before the sentence is passed, and may, in their discretion, give him time to prepare what he wishes to say, and appoint a time for passing the sentence ; and before passing sentence, the Court may adjourn from time to time, and give the accused reasonable opportu-

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nity of showing cause to induce a belief that justice has not been done, or that he has discovered new testimony; and the Court, or a majority of its members, may, according to a sound discretion, grant him a new trial; but, in such new trial, no Bishop shall sit who has already been a trier. Before passing sentence, the accused shall always have the opportunity of being heard, if he have aught to say in excuse or palliation. **New trial.**

[10.] The accused having been heard, or not desiring to be heard, the sentence of the Court shall then be pronounced, and shall be either admonition, suspension as defined by the existing Canons of this Church, or degradation, as the offence or offences adjudged to be proved shall seem to deserve. It shall be the duty of the Court, whenever sentence has been pronounced, whether it be upon a trial, or for contumacy, to communicate such sentence to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese of this Church; and it shall be the duty of such Authority to cause such sentence to be made known to every Clergyman under his jurisdiction. **Sentence.**
Sentence to be communicated, and to whom.

[11.] Every Court shall keep a full record of its proceedings, including the whole evidence given before it. Should any Court refuse to insert in its record a statement of any testimony which has been received, or of any decision which the Court has made, or of any fact which has occurred in Court, or any paper which either party has produced, it shall be the right of either party to file an exception in writing, containing a statement of such evidence, decision, or fact, or referring to or **Record of proceedings.**

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Exceptions. describing such paper, which paper shall also be filed with the exception. All exceptions and papers so filed shall become parts of the record.

How kept and attested. [12.] Such records shall be kept by the Clerk, and inserted in a book, to be attested by the signatures of the President and Clerk. Every such book, and all papers connected with any trial, shall be deposited with the Registrar of the General Convention. Such books and papers shall be open to the inspection of every member of this Church.

Lay advisers may be appointed. [13.] Every Court, constituted under the authority of this Canon, may be attended by one or more lay advisers, who shall be communicants of this Church, and of the profession of the law. Such

Their office. advisers may be present at all the proceedings of the Court, but they shall have no vote in any case whatever; it shall be their duty to give in person to the Court an opinion on any question not theological, upon which the Court or any member thereof, or either party, shall desire an opinion. If a dispute shall arise whether any question be or be not theological, it shall be decided by the Court by a majority of votes. The Court may always, by unanimous consent, appoint an adviser or advisers. If they are not unanimous, each member of the Court may name a candidate; if not more than three are named, they shall all be advisers; if more than three are named, the Court shall reduce them to three by lot.

Presentment for erroneous doctrine, § vii. [1.] Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for holding and teaching doctrine inconsistent with that of this Church, by any Bishop in

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communion with this Church and not under suspension or degradation. No Bishop shall be presented in any other mode for this offence; and it shall not be lawful for two or more persons to unite in any such presentment. The Bishop making such presentment shall appoint a Church Advocate.

to be made by
a Bishop.

Church
Advocate.

[2.] Every presentment for alleged erroneous doctrine shall be signed by the person making it, and shall be addressed to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and delivered to the senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and not being the accused or the accuser, whose duty it shall be to convene a Court for the trial of the accused. The Court shall be composed of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, except the accuser and the accused. Three fourths of such Bishops shall constitute a quorum; but the consent of two thirds of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops shall be necessary to a conviction.

To whom ad-
dressed and
delivered.

Court to be
convened.

Of whom
composed.

Quorum.

Number
necessary to a
conviction.

§ viii. [1.] If charges be preferred against a Missionary Bishop who is not a Diocesan, such Missionary Bishop shall be required by the Presiding or senior Bishop to name some one of the three Dioceses nearest to his District or Missionary field: and such selection having been made, the proceedings shall then be precisely such as, under this Canon, they would be were he the Diocesan of the Diocese named by him. Should the Missionary Bishop refuse to name a Diocese, then the Presiding Bishop may name any one of the three above designated, and the effect shall be the same as if

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charges
against a
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Bishop.

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the nomination had been made by the accused Missionary Bishop.

Case of a Bishop without jurisdiction.

[2.] If charges be preferred against a Bishop having no jurisdiction, he shall be proceeded against precisely as if he were the Diocesan of the Diocese in which he has his civil residence.

CANON 10.

Of Sentences.

Suspension.

§ i. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted on a Bishop, Priest, or Deacon, in this Church, the sentence shall specify on what terms, or at what time, said penalty shall cease.

Deposition.

§ ii. [1.] When any Minister is deposed from the Holy Ministry, he is deposed therefrom entirely, and not from a higher to a lower Order in the same; and whenever a Minister shall be deposed, the Bishop who pronounces sentence shall, without delay, give notice thereof to every Minister and Vestry in the Diocese, and also to all the Bishops of this Church, and where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee; and the notice shall specify under what Canon the said Minister has been deposed.

Notice of deposition, to whom given.

What terms are synonymous.

[2.] Deposition, displacing, and all like expressions, are the same as degradation.

CANON 11.

Of the Remission or Modification of Judicial Sentences

Remission of sentence,

§ i. The Bishops of this Church, who are entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, may altogether

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remit and terminate any judicial sentence which may have been imposed, by Bishops acting collectively as a judicial tribunal; or modify the same so far as to designate a precise period of time, or other specific contingency, on the occurrence of which such sentence shall utterly cease, and be of no further force or effect: *Provided*, that no such remission or modification shall be made except at a meeting of the House of Bishops, during the session of some General Convention, or at a special meeting of the said Bishops, which shall be convened by the Presiding Bishop on the application of any five Bishops; three months' notice, in writing, of the time, place, and object of the meeting being given personally to each Bishop, or left at his usual place of abode: *Provided*, also, that such remission or modification be assented to by a number of said Bishops, not less than a majority of the whole number entitled at the time to seats in the House of Bishops: and *Provided*, that nothing herein shall be construed to repeal or alter Canon 10 of this Title.

or modification thereof,

to be made at General Convention, or meeting specially convened.

Majority of whole number of Bishops must assent.

§ ii. A Bishop of this Church may, for reasons which he shall deem sufficient, remit and terminate any sentence of deposition or degradation pronounced by him upon a Presbyter or Deacon; but he shall exercise this power only upon the following conditions:

Remission of sentence of deposition.

1. That he shall act with the unanimous advice and consent of his Standing Committee.

2. That he shall first submit his proposed action, with his reasons therefor, to the judgment of five of the Bishops of this Church, whose Dioceses or Mis-

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sionary Jurisdictions are nearest to his own, and shall receive in writing, from at least four of said Bishops, their approval of the said remission and their consent thereto.

3. That before remitting such sentence he shall require the person to be restored to the Ministry to subscribe the declaration set forth in Article 7 of the Constitution.

4. That in case such person was deposed for abandoning the Communion of this Church, or having been deposed by reason of his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, or for other cause, he have also abandoned its Communion, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be satisfied that such person has lived in lay communion with this Church for three years next preceding his application for such remission ; and,

5. That in case the person applying for such remission shall reside out of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he was deposed, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be furnished with written evidence of the approval of such application by the Bishop of the Diocese or District in which such person resides.

CANON 12.

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Removal of
communi-
cants.

Certificate.

§ i. A communicant removing from one parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good

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tanding; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.

§ ii. [1.] If any persons within this Church offend their brethren by any wickedness of life, such persons shall be repelled from the Holy Communion, agreeably to the rubric.

Crimes and scandals to be censured.

[2.] There being the provision in the second rubric before the Communion Service requiring that every Minister repelling from the Communion shall give an account of the same to the Ordinary, it is hereby provided that, on the information to the effect stated being laid before the Ordinary, that is, the Bishop, it shall not be his duty to institute an inquiry, unless there be a complaint made to him in writing by the repelled party, within three months from such repulsion. But on receiving complaint, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless he think it to restore him from the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the Minister, to institute an inquiry, as may be directed by the Canons of the Diocese in which the event has taken place. And should no such Canon exist, the Bishop shall proceed according to such principles of law and equity as will insure an impartial decision. And the notice, given as above by the Minister, shall be a sufficient presentation of the party repelled.

Ordinary to be informed.

Inquiry on complaint in writing.

Case of the absence of Diocesan Canon.

[3.] In case of great heinousness of offence on the part of members of this Church, they may be proceeded against to the depriving them of all privileges of Church membership, according to such

Deprivation of privileges of Church membership.

Of Marriage and Divorce.

rules or process as may be provided by the General Convention; and until such rules or process shall be provided, by such as may be provided by the different Diocesan Conventions.

CANON 13.

Of Marriage and Divorce.

Marriage except as God's Word doth allow not lawful.

§ i. If any persons be joined together otherwise than as God's Word doth allow, their marriage is not lawful.

No Minister shall unite in marriage those divorced save for the cause of adultery.

§ ii. No Minister, knowingly after due inquiry, shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife still living, if such husband or wife has been put away for any cause arising after marriage; but this Canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery, or to parties once divorced seeking to be united again.

The Sacraments to be withheld from persons married otherwise than as God's Word doth allow.

§ iii. If any Minister of this Church shall have reasonable cause to doubt whether a person desirous of being admitted to Holy Baptism, or to Confirmation, or to the Holy Communion, has been married otherwise than as the Word of God and discipline of this Church allow, such Minister, before receiving such person to these ordinances, shall refer the case to the Bishop for his godly judgment thereupon: *Provided, however,* that no Minister shall, in any case, refuse the Sacraments to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

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§ iv. Questions touching the facts of any case arising under Section ii. of this Canon shall be referred to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary jurisdiction in which the same may occur; or if there be no Bishop of such Diocese or Missionary jurisdiction, then to some Bishop to be designated by the Standing Committee; and the Bishop to whom such questions have been so referred shall hereupon make inquiry in such manner as he shall deem expedient, and shall deliver his judgment in the premises.

Questions to be referred to the Bishop.

§ v. This Canon, so far as it affixes penalties, does not apply to cases occurring before it takes effect, according to Title IV., Canon 4.

The penalties under this Canon limited.

Title III.

OF THE ORGANIZED BODIES AND OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH.

CANON 1.

Of the General Convention.

Special meet-
ings of Gene-
ral Conven-
tion.

§ i. [1.] THE right of calling special meetings of the General Convention shall be in the Bishops. This right shall be exercised by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention: *Provided*, that the summons shall be with the consent, or on the requisition, of a majority of the Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

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Place of
meeting.

[2.] The place of holding any Special Convention shall be that fixed on by the preceding General Convention for the meeting of the General Convention, unless circumstances shall render a meeting at such a place unsafe; in which case the Presiding Bishop may appoint some other place.

Same
Deputies.

[3.] The Deputies elected to the preceding General Convention shall be the Deputies at such Special Convention, unless in those cases in which other Deputies shall have been chosen in the mean time by any of the Diocesan Conventions, and then such other Deputies shall represent in the Special Convention the Church of the Diocese in which they have been chosen.

Of the General Convention.

[4.] The Rules and Orders of the House of Deputies shall be in force in the ensuing General Convention, until the organization thereof, and until they be amended or repealed by the said House.

Rules and Orders.

§ ii. [1.] The journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents, which are named under Title I. Canon 20, entitled *Of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church*, together with all other articles that are now, or shall hereafter become, the property of either House of the General Convention of this Church, shall be committed, when not otherwise expressly provided for, to the keeping of a Presbyter to be elected by the House of Deputies, upon nomination of the House of Bishops, who shall be known as the Registrar of the General Convention.

Registrar.

How appointed.

[2.] It shall be the duty of the said Registrar to procure all such journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents now in existence; to arrange, label, file, index, and otherwise put in order, and provide for the safe keeping of, the same, and all such others that may hereafter come into his possession, in fire-proof box or boxes, or in some safe and accessible place of deposit, and to hold the same under such regulations and restrictions as the General Convention may from time to time provide.

Duties of Registrar.

[3.] It shall be the duty of the said Registrar to procure a proper and sufficient book of record, and enter therein a record of the Consecrations of all the Bishops of this Church, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the Consecrating Bishops, and of others present and

Record of consecration of Bishops.

Of the General Convention.

How authenticated.

assisting; to have the same authenticated in the fullest manner now practicable; and to take care for the similar record and authentication of all future Consecrations in this Church. Due notice of the time and place of every such Consecration shall be given by the Presiding Bishop to the Registrar; and thereupon it shall be the duty of the Registrar to attend such Consecration, either in person or by deputy. He shall prepare, in such form as the House of Bishops shall prescribe, duplicate originals of the Letters of Consecration; and he shall procure the same to be immediately signed and sealed by the Consecrating Bishop, and by at least two of the Bishops assisting at such Consecration; and one of the said duplicate originals said Registrar shall deliver to the newly consecrated Bishop; and the other he shall carefully file among the papers in his custody: and he shall enter a minute thereof in his record.

Duplicate Letters of Consecration.

Expenses.

[4.] The expenses necessary for the purposes contemplated by this Section shall be provided for by vote of the General Convention, and defrayed by the Treasurer of the same.

Notice to Diocesan Conventions.

§ iii. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the House of Deputies, whenever any alteration of the Constitution is proposed, or any other subject submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions, to give a particular notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of this Church in every Diocese.

Treasurer.

§ iv. At every triennial meeting of the General Convention, a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall

Of Standing Committees.

remain in office until the next stated Convention, and until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and disbursement shall not otherwise be regulated; and to invest, from time to time, for the benefit of the Convention, such surplus funds as he may have on hand. His account shall be rendered triennially to the Convention, and shall be examined by a Committee acting under its authority. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he belonged; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment be made by the Convention.

His duties.

How vacancy to be filled.

§ v. In order that the contingent expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at or before any meeting of the General Convention, three dollars for each Clergyman within such Diocese.

Expenses of General Convention.

Diocesan ratio.

CANON 2.

Of Standing Committees.

§ i. In every Diocese there shall be a Standing Committee, to be appointed by the Convention thereof, whose duties, except so far as provided for by the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses. They shall elect from their own body a President

Duties of Standing Committee.

Of Congregations and Parishes.

President and Secretary.

and a Secretary. They may meet on their own adjournment from time to time; and the President shall have power to summon special meetings whenever he shall deem it necessary.

To be a Council of Advice.

§ ii. In every Diocese where there is a Bishop, the Standing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall wish for their advice. And they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

When the Ecclesiastical Authority.

§ iii. When there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee is the Ecclesiastical Authority for all purposes declared in these Canons.

CANON 3.

Of Congregations and Parishes.

Union with Church in another Diocese.

§ i. Whereas, a question may arise whether a congregation within the Diocese of any Bishop, or within any Diocese in which there is not yet an Bishop settled, may unite themselves with the Church in any other Diocese, it is hereby determined and declared that all such unions shall be considered irregular and void; and that every congregation of this Church shall be considered as belonging to the body of the Church of the Diocese within the limits of which they dwell, or within which there is seated a Church to which they belong. And no Clergyman having a Parish or cure in more than one Diocese shall have a seat in the Convention of any Diocese other than that in which he resides.

No Clergyman to sit in two Diocesan Conventions.

Of Congregations and Parishes.

§ ii. [1.] The ascertainment and defining of the boundaries of existing Parishes or parochial cures, as well as the establishment of a new Church or Congregation, and forming a new Parish within the limits of any other Parish, is left to the action of the several Diocesan Conventions, for the Dioceses respectively. **Parish boundaries, and new Parishes.**

[2.] Until a Canon or other regulation of a Diocesan Convention shall have been adopted, the formation of new Parishes, or establishment of new Churches or Congregations within the limits of other Parishes, shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee thereof; and in case of there being no Bishop, in the Ecclesiastical Authority. **Where power is vested.**

[3.] Nothing contained in this Section shall affect any legal rights of property of any Parish. **Vested rights preserved.**

§ iii. [1.] It shall be lawful, under the conditions hereinafter stated, to organize a Church or Congregation in any foreign country (other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the colonies and dependencies thereof), and not within the limits of any foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church. **Congregations in foreign lands.**

[2.] The Bishop in charge of such Congregations, and the Standing Committee hereinafter provided for, may authorize any Presbyter of this Church to officiate temporarily at any place to be named by them, within any such foreign country, upon being satisfactorily assured that it is expedient to establish at such place a Congregation of this Church. Such Presbyter, having publicly officiated at such place not less than four Sundays consecutively, may give **How organized.**

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notice, in the time of Divine Service, that a meeting of the members of this Church attending such services will be held, at a time and place to be named by him, to organize a Church or Congregation. All male persons of full age belonging to this Church may take part in said meeting. And the said meeting may proceed to effect an organization, subject to the approval of the said Bishop and Standing Committee, and in conformity to such regulations as the said Standing Committee may prescribe.

Must recognize Constitution, etc.

[3.] Such Church or Congregation shall be required, in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and particularly to submit to and abide by such directions as may be, from time to time, received from the Bishop in charge, and the Standing Committee hereinafter provided for, in order to its being received under the direction of the General Convention of this Church.

Certificate of desire for reception.

[4.] In order to such reception, it shall be required to declare its desire therefor, duly certified by the Minister, one Churchwarden, and two Vestrymen or Trustees of said Church or Congregation.

Certificate of satisfaction.

[5.] Such certificate, and the Constitution, Plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Convention during its session, or to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, a certificate thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, who shall thereupon place its name

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The list of foreign Churches under the direction of the General Convention; and also a copy of the same shall be forwarded to and filed by the Registrar of the Church, and such Church or Congregation shall thereupon become subject to and placed under the Episcopal government and jurisdiction of such Presiding Bishop for the time being.

3.] Such Presiding Bishop may, from time to time, by written commission under his own signature and seal, assign to any other Bishop of this Church, exercising jurisdiction in the United States, the full Episcopal charge of one or more of such Churches or Congregations, and the Clergymen officiating therein, for such period of time as he may deem expedient: *Provided*, such commissions shall not extend to a period longer than three years, and shall cease and determine, unless renewed by the Presiding Bishop.

Jurisdiction of Presiding Bishop may be assigned.

Proviso.

4.] To aid the Presiding Bishop, or the Bishop in charge of these foreign Churches, in administering the affairs of the same, and in settling such questions as may, by means of their peculiar situation, arise, there shall be a Standing Committee, to consist of communicants of this Church, who shall be chosen and elected as follows: Each Church or Congregation, thus in union with the General Convention, shall have the right to nominate, to the Bishop in charge, one person, who shall be a communicant, and the General Convention shall nominate four persons, of whom two at least shall be Clergymen, who shall hold office until the General Convention next meeting, and until their successors are elected, and thereafter they shall constitute the said Standing

Standing Committee of Foreign Churches.

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notice, in the time of Divine Service, that a meeting of the members of this Church attending such services will be held, at a time and place to be named by him, to organize a Church or Congregation. All male persons of full age belonging to this Church may take part in said meeting. And the said meeting may proceed to effect an organization, subject to the approval of the said Bishop and Standing Committee, and in conformity to such regulations as the said Standing Committee may prescribe.

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Jurisdiction
of Presiding
Bishop may
be assigned.

Proviso.

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Standing
Committee of
Foreign
Churches.

Of Congregations and Parishes.

Committee, of which the Bishop in charge of said foreign Churches shall be the chairman. A majority of all the members shall be a quorum. This Standing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall desire their advice. And they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

Inquiry to be instituted.

[8.] In case a Clergyman in charge of either of these Congregations in foreign lands shall be charged with either of the punishable offences, as specified in Title II., Canon 2, Section i., of the Digest, it shall be the duty of the Bishop in charge of such Churches to summon the Standing Committee above provided for, and to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public charges; and should there be reasonable grounds for believing them to be true, the Bishop in charge and the Standing Committee shall appoint a Commission, consisting of three Clergymen and two Laymen, whose duty it shall be to obtain all the evidence in the case from the parties interested, and who shall, if possible, hold their meeting in the place where the accused resides, giving to the accused all rights under the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church which can be exercised in a foreign land. The judgment of said Commission, solemnly made and subscribed to, shall then be sent to the Bishop in charge, and to the Presiding Bishop, and, if approved by them, shall be carried into effect: *Provided*, that no such Commission shall recommend any other discipline than admonition or removal from his charge as Minister

Commission appointed.

Proviso.

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id Congregation. Should the result of the
ry of the aforementioned Commission reveal
nce tending to show that said Clergyman
ves a severer discipline, then all the documents
e case shall be placed in the hands of the Pre-
g Bishop, who shall then proceed against said
yman (as far as possible) according to the
n of Discipline, under Title II. of the Digest,
he Diocesan Canons of the Diocese of the said
ding Bishop.

] If there be but one such Church or Congre-
n within the limits of any city, said city shall
emed the parochial cure of the Minister having
e of the same, and no new Church or Congre-
n shall be established therein, unless with the
nt of the Bishop in charge, and of the Standing
nittee herein appointed. Nor shall any Church
ongregation be organized in any foreign city,
r the provisions of this Canon, unless with the
val of the Bishop in charge, and the Standing
nittee herein provided for.

**Parochial
cure of
Minister.**

2.] In cases of difference between the Minister
his Congregation, the Bishop in charge shall,
the Standing Committee, duly examine the
, and said Bishop and Standing Committee shall
full power to settle, and, if possible, adjust such
ences upon the recognized principles of Eccle-
cal law, as laid down in the Canon law of the
stant Episcopal Church.

**Differences to
be adjusted
on principles
of Ecclesias-
tical law.**

1.] No Clergyman shall be allowed to take
e of such Congregation until he shall have been
nated by the Vestry thereof (or, if there be no
Vestry, by the Standing Committee, provided

**Clergyman to
be nominated
by the Vestry,
and approved
by the Bishop
in charge.**

Of the Organization of New Dioceses.

Clergyman to be transferred.

for by this Canon), and approved by the Bishop in charge; and when such appointment shall have been accepted by the Clergyman so appointed, he shall be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Bishop in charge.

CANON 4.

Of the Organization of New Dioceses.

Organization of new Dioceses.

§ i. Whenever any new Diocese shall be formed within the limits of any other Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, and the same shall have been ratified by the General Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese within the limits of which another is formed, or in case of the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, the Bishop of eldest consecration over the Dioceses furnishing portions of such new Diocese, shall thereupon call the Primary Convention of the new Diocese, for the purpose of enabling it to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

Primary Convention.

The call, by whom to be made.

§ ii. In case there should be no Bishop who can call such Primary Convention, pursuant to the foregoing provisions, then the duty of calling such Convention for the purpose of organizing, and the duty of fixing the time and place of its meeting, shall be vested in the Standing Committee of the Diocese within the limits of which the new one is erected, or the Standing Committee of the eldest of the Dioceses by the junction of which, or parts of which, the new Diocese may be formed. And such

Of the Requisites of a Quorum.

Standing Committee shall make such call immediately after the ratification of a division by the General Convention.

When it must be made.

§ iii. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses, the Convention of such Diocese shall declare which portion thereof is to be the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the General Convention before the ratification of such division.

Division of a Diocese.

§ iv. Whenever the formation of a new Diocese shall be ratified by the General Convention, such new Diocese shall be considered as admitted under Article 5 of the Constitution, so soon as it shall have organized in Primary Convention, in the manner prescribed in the previous Sections of this Canon, and the naming of the new Diocese shall be a part of its organization.

New Diocese admitted into union on organization.

Naming of new Diocese.

CANON 5.

Of the Requisites of a Quorum.

In all cases in which a Canon of the General Convention directs a duty to be performed, or a power to be exercised, by a Standing Committee, or by the Clerical members thereof, or by any other body consisting of several members, a majority of the said members, the whole having been duly cited to meet, shall be a quorum ; and a majority of the quorum so convened shall be competent to act, unless the contrary is expressly required by the Canon.

A majority is a quorum.

Majority of a quorum competent to act.

CANON 6.

Authorizing the Formation of a Federate Convention or Council of the Dioceses within any State.

The Dioceses within any State may form a Federate Convention or Council,

with the approval of the General Convention.

May exercise powers previously approved.

Legislative action may be secured.

§ i. It is hereby declared lawful for the Dioceses now existing or hereafter to exist, within the limits of any State or Commonwealth, to establish for themselves a Federate Convention or Council representing such Dioceses, which may deliberate and decide upon the common interests of the Church within the limits aforesaid; but before any determinate action of such Convention or Council shall be had, the powers proposed to be exercised shall be submitted to the General Convention for its approval.

§ ii. Any such Federate Convention or Council may exercise any powers that shall have been previously approved by the General Convention for any other Federate Convention or Council.

§ iii. Nothing in this Canon shall be construed as forbidding any Federate Council from taking such action as they may deem necessary to secure such legislative enactments as the common interests of the Church in the State may require.

CANON 7.

Of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

§ i. The Constitution of the said Society, which was incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of

Of the Constitution, etc.

the State of New York, is hereby amended and established so as to read as follows :

Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, as established in 1820 and since amended at various times.

ARTICLE I. This institution shall be denominated **Name.**
The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of
the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United
States of America.

ARTICLE II. This Society shall be considered as **Of whom**
comprehending all persons who are members of this **composed.**
Church.

ARTICLE III. There shall be a Board of Mis- **Board of**
sions of such Society, composed of the Bishops of **Missions.**
this Church, and the members for the time being of
the House of Deputies of the General Convention,
the Delegates from the Missionary Jurisdictions to
the said House of Deputies, and the members of the
Board of Managers as hereinafter described. The **Shall convene**
Board of Missions thus constituted shall convene on **on the third**
the third day of the session of the General Conven- **day of session**
tion, and shall sit from time to time as the business **of General**
of the Board shall demand. **Convention.**

ARTICLE IV. There shall be a Missionary Council **Missionary**
of this Church. It shall comprise all the Bishops of **Council.**
this Church, all the members of the Board of Man-
agers, such other clergymen or laymen as may be
selected by the General Convention at its triennial
meetings, and in addition thereto, one presbyter and **When to**
one layman from each Diocese and Missionary Juris- **meet.**
diction to be chosen by the Convention, Council, or

Of the Constitution, etc.

When to meet.

Convocation of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction; said Presbyter and said layman to continue in office for one year or until a successor is appointed. This Council so formed shall meet annually except in those years appointed for the meeting of the Board of Missions, at such time and place as may be designated by the Board of Managers with the approval of the Presiding Bishop. Said Council shall be competent to consider the Missionary work of the Church, to make such recommendations to the Board of Managers as it may deem expedient, and to increase interest in the work of the Board of Missions. It shall be competent for the Bishop of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to fill vacancies in the representation of his Diocese or Jurisdiction occurring by removal, resignation, or death, between the sessions of the Convention, Council, or Convocation of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

Its powers.

Vacancies may be filled.

Board of Managers.

Its powers.

Vacancies may be filled.

Ex-officio members.

There shall also be appointed in like manner a Board of Managers, to be selected from the Missionary Council, comprising the Presiding Bishop as President, and fifteen other Bishops, fifteen Presbyters, and fifteen laymen, who shall have the management of the general missions of this Church, and when the Board of Missions is not in session, shall exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; they shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and they shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number.

All other Bishops of this Church, together with the Secretary and Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and of the Board of Managers, shall be *ex-officio* members of the Board, and have all the rights and privileges of the elected members except the right to vote.

Of the Constitution, etc.

Whenever demanded by one-fifth of the members present, a majority of two-thirds of the members voted shall be necessary to any act of the Board. In all annual appropriations, and in entering upon or abandoning any missionary field, as also in changing the by-laws, a majority must be present. For all other business, the Board may, by a by-law, determine the quorum. **Quorum, etc.**

The Board of Managers shall make a full and complete triennial report to the General Convention, conducted as the Board of Missions, on or before the third day of the session of the General Convention, and a similar report to the Missionary Council at its annual meetings, comprising such an outline of the missionary work executed during the preceding year as may serve to give a comprehensive view of the progress, prospects and present condition of the work of the Society in several parts of the Domestic and Foreign fields. **Reports.**

There shall be appointed at each meeting of the General Convention and of the Missionary Council, a committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Board of Missions, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of work for the ensuing meeting of the Board of Missions, or of the Missionary Council. **Committee to prepare order of work.**

ARTICLE V. The Board of Managers is authorized to form such committees as it may deem desirable to promote the Missionary work, and to appoint such officers as shall be needful for carrying on such work, and to enact all By-laws, for its own government and government of its committees and officers. **Committees may be formed.**

ARTICLE VI. The Board of Managers is entrusted with power to establish and regulate such missions which are not placed under Episcopal Supervision. **Further powers.**

Of the Constitution, etc.

Appropriations.

In all organized Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions having Bishops in the Domestic field, it is authorized to make annual appropriations to be disbursed by the Bishops with the approval of the Standing Committee or Board of Missions of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, and whenever any of said Bishops may so elect, the Board of Managers shall act as above provided instead of such Standing Committee or said Diocesan Board of Missions: *Provided*, that no part of such annual appropriations shall be expended for any other purpose than the support of Missionaries, or the supply of Mission Stations with clerical service, without the concurrence of the Board of Managers; and an itemized account of the expenditure of all appropriations shall be made annually to the President of the Board of Managers; and, *Provided*, that in the management of the Foreign Missions, the Bishops shall have as their Council of advice the Board of Managers for the general schedule of expenditures; but for the details of the local work, they may have as their Council of advice the Standing Committees of their respective Jurisdictions.

Account of appropriations to be rendered.

Council of advice for Foreign Missions.

Salary of Missionary Bishop.

ARTICLE VII. The salary of a Missionary Bishop shall be fixed at or before the time of his election, to take effect from the date of his Consecration, and shall not be diminished during his official relation to the Board of Missions without his consent. But all contributions by the Missionary Jurisdictions for the support of their Bishops shall be reported to the Board of Managers and accounted for as a part of such salary.

Relation of Missionary Bishop to Board may be terminated.

Whenever the Board shall be satisfied of the ability of a Missionary Jurisdiction to support its Bishop with a salary not less than that provided for at his Consecration, the relation of such Missionary Bishop to the Board of Missions may be terminated by said Board.

Of the Constitution, etc.

ARTICLE VIII. No person shall be appointed a missionary who is not at the time a Minister in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with this Church; but nothing in this Section shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing laymen or women, members of this Church, or of some Church in communion with the same, to do Missionary work.

Who may be
appointed
Missionaries.

ARTICLE IX. The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint local agents to represent the Society in different parts of the country, and is authorized to promote the formation of auxiliary Missionary Associations, whose contributions, as well as those specially appropriated by individuals, shall be received and paid in accordance with the wish of the donors, when expressed in writing. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to arrange for public Missionary meetings, to be held at such times and places as may be determined upon, to which all auxiliaries approved by the Board of Managers may send representatives.

Auxiliary
Associations.

Public
Missionary
meetings.

ARTICLE X. Whenever there shall be a meeting of the Board of Missions, as provided for in Article II. of this Canon, there shall be a roll call of the bishops and of all deputations and delegations, and of the other members of the Board, and in all votes a roll call shall also be made whenever demanded by the Clerical or Lay Deputation of any Diocese, or by any three members appointed under Article III. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for business. A majority of all members of the Board present at any meeting shall be necessary to pass any motion.

Roll call may
be made.

Quorum.

ARTICLE XI. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time by the General Convention of this Church.

Constitution
may be
altered.

*Of the Constitution, etc.***Canons
repealed.**

§ ii. All Canons, and all action by or under the authority of the General Convention, so far as inconsistent with the provisions of this Canon and of such amended Constitution, are hereby repealed: *Provided, however*, that nothing herein shall in any manner impair or affect any corporate rights of the said society, or any vested right whatever.

§ iii. This Canon shall take effect immediately.

CANON 8.*Of General Clergy Relief.***Election of
Trustees.**

§ i. [1.] The General Convention at each Triennial Meeting shall elect, on the nomination of a Joint Committee thereof, fifteen persons to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen, instituted by the General Convention in 1853, and incorporated in Chapter 459 of the laws of the State of New York in 1855. Said Trustees shall hold office until the succeeding General Convention, or until their successors shall be elected, and shall have power to fill vacancies occurring in their own Board, and to appoint officers and agents.

**Term of
office.****First Enlarge-
ment of Board
of Trustees.**

[2.] The first named seven Trustees elected by the General Convention of 1892 shall manage the affairs of the Fund until the enactment of such legislation as shall enlarge the number of Trustees from seven to fifteen, and after such enactment, the remaining eight Trustees elected by the Convention as hereinbefore provided, shall enter upon the discharge of their duties.

Of General Clergy Relief.

i. [1.] The widow of any deceased clergyman, being unmarried, the children of any deceased clergyman until they have reached the age of twenty years, unless they shall have married before that age, and any clergyman being permanently disabled, having reached the age of sixty-four years, shall be entitled, in the discretion of the Trustees, to share in the benefits of this Fund. **Who may be beneficiaries.**

[2.] All applications to the Trustees shall bear the recommendation of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which the applicant may belong. **Applications.**

ii. The resources of the Fund shall be from such sources as shall be established by the General Convention, from offerings in parishes, and from such voluntary gifts and legacies as may be received. **Resources.**

v. The Trustees shall publish a report on the first of September, in each year, showing a complete list of all contributions to the Fund within the year, and shall cause a copy of such report to be sent to every Bishop and Clergyman of the Church. **Reports.**

vi. Contributors to the Fund shall have the right to designate how their contributions shall be applied, and the Bishop of any Diocese or Jurisdiction, within one year after the report is issued, shall show the contributions of congregations in his Diocese or Jurisdiction so reported the use of which have been designated, shall be applied. **Designation of contributions.**

vii. The Trustees may enter into relations with affiliated societies in the Church, and so **Affiliated societies.**

Of the Distribution of the Book of Common Prayer.

far as may be practicable, secure their co-operation to the end that there may be a complete record of all clergy relief in the Church, and that such relief may be distributed wisely, equitably and efficiently.

CANON 9.

Of the Distribution of the Book of Common Prayer.

Trustees appointed.

§ i. The General Convention shall at each triennial meeting on the nomination of a Joint Committee appoint fifteen persons, of whom the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book shall be one, to constitute a Board of Trustees of a Society to be entitled the Prayer Book Distribution Society.

Object of the Society.

§ ii. The object of this Society shall be to promote the distribution of the Book of Common Prayer among the people throughout the United States of America.

Annual meeting.

§ iii. An annual meeting of this Society shall be held at the same time and place as the Missionary Council and the Triennial meeting of the General Convention. On the third day of the General Convention this Society shall report to the two Houses sitting together as the Board of Missions, the operations of the Society during the three years past.

Report.

Auxiliaries.

§ iv. Existing incorporated societies for the publication and distribution of the Prayer Book may become auxiliaries to this General Society and each be entitled to one representative in the Board of Trustees.

Title IV.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

CANON 1.

Of Repealed Canons.

WHENEVER there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and the said Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.

**Repeal of
repeal no re-
enactment.**

CANON 2.

Of the Enactment, Amendment, and Repeal of Canons.

§ i. In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by the way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form: "Title —, Canon —, Section —, Clause —, is hereby amended so as to read as follows." And if the enactment is of an additional Clause, Section, or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon or next Section, or next Clause of a Canon or Section, in the order of numbering of the Title to which the subject properly belongs; and if a Canon or Section or Clause be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed, or until changed as in the next Section provided.

**Form of alter-
ing Canons.**

Of the Time when New Canons shall take Effect.

**Who are to
certify
changes in
Canons.**

§ ii. The Committee on Canons of each House of the General Convention shall, at the close of each Session of the General Convention, appoint two of their number to certify the changes, if any, made in the Canons, including a correction of the references made in any Canon to another, and to report the same, with the proper arrangement thereof, to the Secretary, who shall print the same in the Journal.

CANON 3.

Of the Time of these Canons taking Effect.

**Time of
taking effect.**

**General re-
peal.**

These Canons shall take effect on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord 1860; from and after which day all other Canons of this Church are hereby, and shall be deemed to be, repealed: *Provided*, that such repeal shall not affect any case of a violation of existing Canons committed before that date; but such case shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.

CANON 4.

Of the Time when New Canons shall take Effect.

**New Canons
take effect
January 1.**

All Canons hereafter enacted, unless otherwise specially ordered, shall take effect on the first day of January following the adjournment of the General Convention at which they are made.

The foregoing is a true Copy of the Constitution and Canons.

JOHN WILLIAMS,
Bishop Presiding.

Attest, SAMUEL HART,
Secretary of the House of Bishops.

MORGAN DIX,
President of the House of Deputies.

Attest, CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,
Secretary of the House of Deputies.

MINNEAPOLIS, October 23, A. D. 1895.

JOINT COMMITTEE TO CERTIFY THE CHANGES MADE IN THE
CANONS BY THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT
EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA, HELD IN THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS IN THE
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APPENDIX.

Appendix.

Joint Resolution of the Two Houses of General Convention on the duty of the Clergy of this Church in the matter of bearing arms :

The Clergy
not to bear
arms ;

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, that it is incompatible with the duty, position, and sacred calling of the Clergy of this Church to bear arms.

Explanatory Note, by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies :

but may be
Chaplains,
Professors, or
Instructors.

The spirit and intent of this resolution do not extend to the office of Chaplain in either branch of the Military Service, nor to that of Professor or Instructor in any Military or Naval Academy. The duties of these offices are civil, and entirely compatible with the duties of the Sacred Ministry.

Order.

Of the Organization of the House of Deputies, and prescribing the Duties of the Secretary.

Record of
membership.

§ i. At the time and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention, the Secretary, or in his absence one of the Assistant Secretaries, in the order of their appointment, or in the absence of all, the person appointed as hereinafter provided by the

Organization of the House of Deputies, etc.

Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Convention is to meet, shall call to order the members present of the House of Deputies, and record the names of those whose testimonials, in due form, shall have been presented to him; which record shall be *prima facie* evidence that the persons whose names are therein recorded are entitled to seats in the House of Deputies. If there be a quorum present, by the record, the Secretary shall so declare, and the House shall proceed to organize by the election by ballot of a President from the members of the House, and of a Secretary; and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. So soon as a President and Secretary have been elected, a committee shall be appointed to wait upon the House of Bishops, and inform them of the organization of the House of Deputies, and its readiness to proceed to business.

Election of officers.

Their duties.

The Secretary shall keep full minutes of the proceedings of the House; transcribe them, with all reports, into a book provided for that purpose; preserve the Journal and Records of the House; deliver them to his successor; and perform such other duties as may be directed or assigned to him by the House. He may, with the approbation of the House, appoint three Assistant Secretaries, and the Secretary and Assistant Secretaries shall continue in office until the organization of the next Convention, and until their successors be chosen. If, during the recess of the General Convention, a vacancy should occur in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretaries; or if the Assistant Secretaries shall die or resign, a

Duties of the Secretary.

Duration of office.

Vacancy during a recess.

Organization of the House of Deputies, etc.

Secretary shall be appointed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the next General Convention is to meet.

**Duty of
Diocesan
Secretaries.**

§ ii. In order to aid the Secretary in preparing the list specified in the preceding section, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese to forward to him, as soon as may be practicable, a copy of the Journal of the Diocesan Convention, together with a certified copy of the Testimonials of Members aforesaid. He shall also forward a duplicate copy of such Testimonials to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the next General Convention is to meet.

**Privileges of
the Secretary
and the
Treasurer.**

§ iii. The Secretary of the House of Deputies and the Treasurer of the Convention, although not returned as Deputies to the Convention, shall be entitled to seats upon the floor of the House, and, with the approval of the President, to speak on the subjects of their respective offices.

**Secretary to
determine by
lot the seats
of the
Deputies.**

§ iv. Previous to the meeting of each General Convention, the Secretary of the last Convention, under the direction of the Deputies from the Diocese in which the Convention is to be held, shall determine by lot the seats to be occupied by each delegation.

STANDING ORDER AND RESOLUTION.

Standing Order.

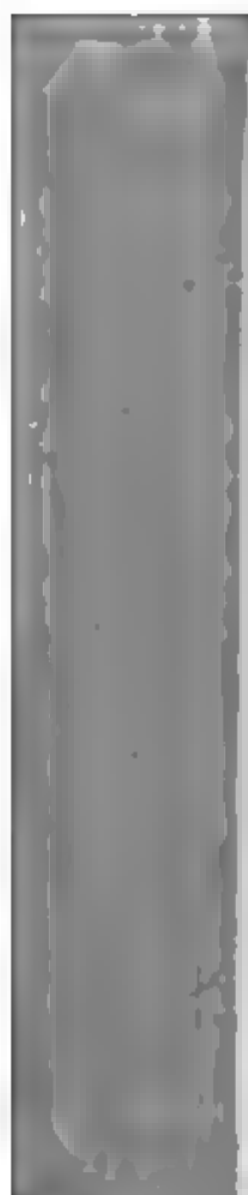
Delegates from Missionary Jurisdictions and from Foreign Churches.

Resolved, That one Clerical and one Lay Delegate, chosen by any Convocation of all the Clergy representatives of the Laity, convoked by the authority of the Bishop of any Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, or chosen by a similar Convocation of the Churches in Europe, organized under III., Canon 3, Section iii., of the Digest, conducted by direction of the Presiding Bishop, or by Bishop in charge of Foreign Churches, shall have seats assigned to them in this House, with all the privileges to those of Deputies, except that they shall have no vote on any question or matter: that this be a Standing Order of the House.

Standing Resolution.

Of the Expenses of the Presiding Bishop.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay, from time to time, on the order of the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, such expenses as he may necessarily incur in the execution of his office, such as clerk hire, printing, stationery, etc., not exceeding four hundred dollars in any one year; it being understood that the travelling expenses of the Presiding Bishop are paid by the Diocese or other body in whose instance they are incurred.



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